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## SINO-SOVIET BREAK.

### DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BROKEN OFF.

### CHINESE REPLY DESCRIBED AS HYPOCRITICAL.

### RIVAL TROOPS MASSING.

The fear of possible hostilities between Russia and China is growing. The Chinese Reply to the Soviet Ultimatum has proved unacceptable to Moscow, where it is described as "unsatisfactory and hypocritical."

The first step taken by the Soviet Government is the breaking off of diplomatic relations with China. All Soviet officials are being recalled from China, and Chinese official representatives in Russia are to be ordered to leave.

The Soviet Reply says that all means of reaching an amicable settlement have been exhausted.

Meanwhile rival troop movements on an extensive scale are reported. The Soviet is bringing forces from Lake Baikal to Manchuria, and Chang Hsueh-liang is strengthening the troops guarding the Chinese Eastern Railway, the seizure of which is the cause of the dispute.

Nanking officials yesterday were unexcited, although a Government spokesman declared that a Soviet invasion would be resisted to the end.

### CHINA "TO RESIST TO THE END."

New York, July 17.

A cable from Moscow states that Russia has severed diplomatic relations with China.—*Reuter.*

Moscow, July 18.

The Soviet Reply to the Chinese Note on the Ultimatum sent on July 14th, says that all means of reaching an amicable settlement have been exhausted.

The Soviet Government is compelled to recall from China all official representatives, all Chinese Eastern Railway officials, and to suspend all railway communications into Soviet territory.

The Soviet Government will order the immediate departure of the Chinese representatives in Russia.

#### Reply Hypocritical.

The Soviet reserves its rights arising from the Peking-Mukden Agreement of 1924, and declares that the Chinese Reply is unsatisfactory and hypocritical.

According to the version published here, the Chinese Note presents views rather more outspoken in form than was cabled from Nanking yesterday.

#### In Due Time.

The Soviet version adds: If all Chinese citizens and societies are guaranteed proper protection, the same treatment, in due time, will be accorded to all the closed Soviet institutions.

The hope is expressed that "The Soviet Government will correct its past wrong-doings of its own accord, will respect the sovereignty of China and its laws and make no proposals denying the existing facts."

### NANKING UNCOMPROMISING.

Vigorous Statement by C.E.C. Leader.

Nanking, July 17.

In spite of the Soviet Ultimatum, leading members of the Government seem quite unexcited, and appear more and more inclined to treat the Manchurian imbroglio as a purely local issue which may be peacefully settled by negotiation.

At the same time, there is no hint of any willingness to compromise.

#### China Determined.

A member of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang informed Pressmen this afternoon that

the National Government is determined to take over the Chinese Eastern Railway.

"What hope," he remarked, "have we of abolishing all 'un-

equal treaties' if we cannot even carry out the terms of an equal agreement?"

He added that there were alarming rumours of military preparations by the Soviet Government, and said:

"The National Government will resist any such to the end."

The spokesman concluded by referring to a "certain Power" which he said is reported to be attempting to utilise the opportunity for the expansion of its interests in Manchuria on the pretext of protecting its existing rights in that territory, in connexion with which the country referred to was seeking to act as mediator. He hoped that the report would prove to be entirely unfounded.—*Reuter.*

#### White Russians.

Shanghai, July 17.

It is rumoured in semi-official circles that the White Russians under one of their former military leaders will actively side with the National Government in the event of war with the Soviet Republic.

#### MASSING OF TROOPS.

Soviet Moving Men From Lake Baikal.

Shanghai, July 18.

The fact that the telegraphs from Tientsin to Harbin have been interrupted, has not prevented a crop of rumours regarding military movements on both sides of Manchuria's three thousand miles of frontier.

It is stated that the Soviet cavalry stationed in Outer Mongolia are advancing to the east towards Tsamui, which is about 200 miles west of Harbin, and on the western border of Manchuria, while it is stated that considerable activity is taking place at Suifu on the eastern border.

#### Opposite Banks of River.

Meanwhile, extraordinary stories to the effect that both Chinese and Russian forces are massing on the opposite banks of the River Amur in the vicinity of Blagoveshensk are in circulation.

These reports are not necessarily to be trusted and they cannot be confirmed. However, foreigners arriving from Europe by railway report heavy Russian troop movements between Lake Baikal and Manchuria.

#### Japanese Estimates.

The Japanese War Minister has reported to the Cabinet that a total of 40,000 well-equipped Russian troops are distributed along the northern borders of Manchuria, while the Chinese troops in Manchuria total 440,000 of which

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## RESTRICTIONS TO REMAIN.

### THE WATER POSITION STILL SERIOUS.

### ADDITIONAL FACILITIES AT PRAYA TANKS.

### MORRISON HILL PLAN.

From enquiries made in official circles this morning, we understand that there is little likelihood of the water restrictions on the island being modified in the near future. It is considered that until the reservoirs are full, or the harbour pipe-line is completed, the position will still remain serious, and for this reason there can be no question yet awhile of the restrictions being lessened.

On the Kowloon side, of course, the situation is extremely satisfactory, there being now an excellent flow from the Shing Mun valley.

Rain water from the recent falls continued to flow into the island and mainland reservoirs yesterday, and for the 24 hours ended 7.30 a.m., to-day about three million gallons was gained.

Water will continue to flow into the reservoirs for some time yet, according to the Water Engineer (Mr. A. B. Purves), but the quantity will diminish daily until further rains take place.

#### Imported Supplies.

Statistics regarding the amount of water brought into Hongkong by ships in transit for the week ended Sunday last show the total to have been 13,484 tons, which is equivalent to 3,620,000 gallons. All this water was placed in the brick and steel tanks along the Praya.

Extra facilities have been provided for the discharge of this water, in which connexion it may be mentioned that the tanks on Connaught Road Central from No. 7 at Cleverly Street to the iron tank at Douglas Wharf have all been coupled with the wharf with a pumping main to enable the tanker Fu Kwang to pump whilst lying alongside into each or all of these tanks.

A pumping unit has also been installed on the Praya East, near No. 12 tank, to enable all tanks in the vicinity to be filled direct with this power.

#### Tug Fitted with Pump.

The tug *Perla*, under charter by the Water Control Office, has been installed with a pump which will greatly increase the means of emptying lighters when she is not being used as a tow-boat.

We also learn that all tanks from No. 1 at David Street to Western Market iron tanks were handed over to Mr. Purves, of the P.W.D., on Monday last, whilst the Water Control Office has charge of all remaining tanks from Cleverly Street to Douglas Wharf and those on the Praya East.

#### Other Supplies.

A visit has been paid to Tai Shui Hang, Police Launch Supply, and work was completed there on Tuesday, although the supply has been in use since Wednesday, the 10th instant.

Excellent progress has been made with Sham Chung, Kaitang Supply, and an early completion is expected. A preliminary survey was made on Sunday last with regard to increasing this available source, and it is hoped that a report will be ready shortly.

#### Nullahs and Wells.

In connexion with nullah supplies, we understand that two supply stations, one in Wellington Street and the other at Victoria Nullah near Arsenal Street, have been handed over to the Sanitary Department, and are now in operation. Chlorination is being effected by a special staff. The third installation, in Tai Hang village, will be handed over almost immediately.

Meanwhile the construction of the chlorinating tanks for other stations proceeds apace.

Regarding well supplies, levels have been taken in connexion with the Happy Valley scheme, and the positions of the tanks marked on the slope of Morrison Hill. The advent of the rain led to a postponement of actual construction work, but it has now been decided that operations are to proceed without further delay.

## THINKS SHANGHAI OUGHT TO PAY.

### LADY M. P. AND BRITISH SHAFORCE.

### ELECTRICITY SALE.

London, July 17.

A highly interesting point was raised by Miss Ellen Wilkinson (Lab. Middlesbrough) in the House of Commons to-day. She drew attention to the fact that the Shanghai Municipal Council were proposing to sell their Electricity Undertaking for £10,000,000, of which amount over £5,000,000 was represented by goodwill.

Miss Wilkinson declared that this goodwill remained largely as the result of expenditure borne by the British tax-payers (referring to the cost of the Shanghai Defence Force).

She asked whether, if the sale proceeded, the Foreign Secretary would invite the Council to contribute £5,000,000 to that expenditure.

M. Henderson replied that he had no information as to how much of the £10,000,000 represented goodwill, nor what part, if any, of

### SINO-JAPANESE DISPUTE NOW ARISES.

### Trouble Over Police Station on Korean Border.

### STRONG PROTEST LODGED.

Shanghai, July 17.

At a moment when Sino-Soviet relations are extremely delicate, an unfortunate development has occurred at Wunglungshien, on the Kirin-Korean border, in consequence of the Japanese deciding to establish a Police Station there.

The Chinese authorities in Kirin have lodged a strong protest with the Japanese authorities in Korea on the subject.

It is feared that unless the Japanese drop the project, serious developments may arise.—*Nam Chung Po.*

The goodwill value was the result of expenditure borne by the British taxpayer.

He sympathised with the view that the residents of Shanghai should bear a proper share of the cost of their own defence, but obviously it would be improper for an international Municipality on Chinese soil to contribute towards the cost of the British Army.

Miss Wilkinson suggested that the Shanghai Defence Force was sent out at the request of these people and it was largely responsible for the security of the goodwill which they were now selling.—*Reuter.*

## COMMUNIST ROUND-UP IN TURKEY.

### TWENTY-SIX AGITATORS SENT TO GAOL.

Constantinople, July 17.

A police round-up of Communists in Smyrna and Constantinople during April had a sequel to-day in the appearance in the dock of thirty-five persons, charged with disseminating propaganda and attempting to undermine the existing regime.

Twenty-six of the defendants were sentenced to four years and six months imprisonment.—*Reuter.*

## STOP PRESS.

### RUSSIA'S COMPLAINT.

Moscow, July 18.

The earlier passages in the Soviet Reply say that the Chinese Government practically rejects the Soviet's three moderate proposals and sanctions a one-sided abrogation of the Peking and Mukden Agreements, thus destroying the possibility of normal relations.

It seeks to justify the seizure of the Chinese Eastern Railway and sanctions unlawful repressions of Soviet citizens and institutions.

The Chinese Reply evades the question of the immediate convoking of a conference, thereby destroying the possibility of an amicable settlement.—*Reuter.*

## PREMIER'S VISIT TO AMERICA.

### NAVAL DISARMAMENT MAIN PURPOSE.

### COMMONS DISCUSS PROBLEM OF SUBMARINES.

### ABOLITION FAVOURED.

London, July 17.

It is understood on reliable authority that the question of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's visit to the United States is at the present time the subject of diplomatic negotiation as regards the time it shall take place, with a view to making it effective in promoting naval disarmament.

It is known that the proposal has met with the warmest approval in New York and Washington.

The question of naval disarmament, and the attitude of the Labour Government thereto, was the subject of questions in the House of Commons to-day.

#### Statement, Foreshadowed.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, was faced with a whole series of questions bearing on the Government's naval programme, notably in regard to the reported intention to discontinue the building of submarines.

The matter, said Mr. Alexander, was under consideration, but the Prime Minister intended to make a pronouncement in Parliament upon the whole question of naval armament before the Summer Recess. He was unable to give the actual date of the Premier's statement.

Commander Kenworthy (Lab.) asked what was the position with regard to the British proposal, now supported by the American Government, for the illegalising of the submarine by mutual agreement, and whether the First Lord was considering a renewal of this proposal at the next international conference on naval armaments.

#### Repeated Offers.

Mr. Alexander replied, pointing out that the British Government had repeatedly offered to discontinue the use of submarines, notably at the Washington Conference in 1921. The declaration of the British Empire delegation at that conference remained the opinion of the Government but until other nations acceded to this opinion no agreement was possible.

The possibility of reaching an agreement on this matter was constantly borne in mind by the Government and a statement of the British Government's opinion would be made at the first available moment.

#### Singapore Base.

Answering another question, the First Lord of the Admiralty said that no decision could yet be communicated regarding the further construction of the battleship base at Singapore.

A number of important and difficult matters concerning other departments had to be considered, while no decision could be reached without consultation with the Dominions Governments.

He could not say if a decision would be reached before the Summer Recess.

#### Balkan Tension.

Recent difficulties in the Balkans were also the subject of enquiries at question-time.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Foreign Secretary, was asked whether he would, in accordance with Article 11 of the Covenant of the League of Nations, use his position as a Member of the Council to get a conference of the Balkan States with a view to the settlement of the major outstanding problems between those nations.

Mr. Henderson replied that regarding the recent tension along the Yugo-Slav-Bulgarian frontier, he preferred to assume for the present that the two Governments concerned would be able to remove it by direct negotiations without the intervention of the League.

Replying to another question, Mr. Henderson said he was prepared to restore the practice of 1924 and to place on the table of the House of Commons all treaties with foreign Governments prior to their ratification.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

## FRENCH WAR DEBT DEBATE.

### BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES DISTINGUISHED.

### M. HERRIOTT'S VIEWS.

Paris, July 17.

A decided attitude was taken up by M. Herriot, speaking on behalf of the Radical Party this afternoon when the debate on the ratification of the war debts agreements was resumed.

M. Herriot did not contest the validity of the debt agreements, but he demanded reservations guaranteeing France's rights.

He drew a distinction between the position of France in regard to the British and the American debt. He said that Britain's economic difficulties, due to her participation in the War, must be taken into consideration, but the position of the United States was quite different.

He recalled that in the liquidation of the Napoleonic War in 1815, Britain allowed Austria ninety per cent. reduction in her debt because Austria had been the principal battlefield. He asked: Is not France entitled to the same privilege? (Cheers).

The Reporters of the Finance and Foreign Affairs Committees said that in the view of the majority of these committees, agreement should be ratified with reservations.

M. Poincaré is suffering from a slight temperature, due to overwork, the result of his fourteen-hour speech and yesterday's twelve-hour debate in the Chamber, in tropical heat.

His doctor has ordered a rest, and M. Poincaré expects to return to the Chamber to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

## "UNITED STATES OF EUROPE."

### MENTION OF PROPOSALS BY M. BRIAND.

London, July 17.

The Foreign Secretary has received no communication from the French of the German Government concerning M. Briand's proposals for a "United States of Europe."

M. Henderson said in the House of Commons that he had examined the suggestion that he should consider the publication of an analysis of these and analogous proposals for closer economic and political unity in Europe made since the war by authorities of recognised international standing.—*British Wireless.*

## ATLANTIC FLIERS IN PARIS.

### "PATHFINDER" MAKES THE TRIP FROM ROME.

Le Bourget, July 17.

The American monoplane "Pathfinder" which flew the Atlantic last week, arrived to-day at Le Bourget with Captain Lewis Yancey and Roger Williams on board.

They flew from Rome, which was their destination on taking off from Old Orchard, Maine, and where they have been overhauling their engine since their arrival from Santander.—*Reuter.*

## MORE BANK FAILURES IN FLORIDA.

### PANIC ON PART OF THE INVESTORS.

New York, July 17.

After the failure of a number of Florida banks last week, fourteen State Banks in South-West Florida have since closed their doors, making a total of 22 bank failures in Florida in a fortnight.

Deposits involved are estimated to total about \$23,000,000.

The Comptroller of Banks attributes the failures to "unnecessary withdrawals, propaganda, and the mental attitude of the people."—*Reuter's American Service.*

## LOCAL CURRENCY "ANOMALY."

### REASON FOR PREMIUM ON BANKNOTES.

### INTERESTING INTERVIEW WITH MR. A. C. HYNES.

### NO BENEFIT TO BANK.

Reasons for the premium on banknotes issued in Hongkong were given to a *Telegraph* representative to-day by the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

It has been suggested in our correspondence columns that there is an inadequate supply of bank notes in the Colony, "one reason for this being that a huge sum is hoarded by the Chinese in South China as a protective measure against the insecure and mercurial paper of their own banks, and their coins of varying and doubtful value."

#### Call Money Cheap.

This suggestion was discounted by the Hon. Mr. Hynes who pointed out that call money was cheap. He said he had been offering for several months past to buy for cash and sell for delivery up to next Chinese New Year at the same rate. No one, however, wanted money on even these conditions, and rather expected to be paid for it.

It is interesting to note that Hongkong is now the only place where the British dollar is legal tender. Local currency has no circulation outside the Colony, although a few years ago the Boxer Rising it had a circulation in the vicinity of Tientsin. This circulation has now ended, however, and consequently there is no outlet for the coin, Hongkong, being isolated so far as its legal tender silver dollar is concerned.

#### Elastic Issue.

In order to give elasticity to the bank note issue and in order to permit of an expansion which becomes necessary at times the depositing of sovereigns with the Crown Agents is allowed and therefore the Colony's trade is not handicapped as it would be if British dollars had to be actually imported before an increase in the note circulation was permitted.

A bank could not import silver dollars, which would be of no use for the greater part of the year, simply to cover a temporary expansion in the note issue, and if there were no facilities for depositing gold in London the result would be that the exchange would be forced to a level which check an expansion in note issues by a curtailment of trade.

Over 25 years ago Mexican dollars circulated freely and as they could be imported from Shanghai and America on the basis of the then current price of silver the Hongkong rate of exchange with gold countries ruled fairly close to silver parity so long as silver coin was in use and circulated freely in South China.

#### Balance of Trade.

The balance of trade was to a certain extent adjusted by the import and export of silver coins, thus keeping the exchange within measurable distance of the exporting and importing point. In these conditions there was little difference between the value of the silver dollar and the bank note, although the latter stood usually at a slight premium over the former. This was due to the notes being more convenient to hold and cheaper to move.

The result of the change whereby the bank note replaced the silver dollar was the divorcing of exchange from the price of silver so far as high level exchange was concerned.

Formerly, when exports predominated, silver dollars could be imported to adjust the balance and enable exchange banks to cover commitments and avoid risks by carrying heavy overvalued accounts in gold. In present conditions when silver dollars are not in circulation the import of such coin would be of no practical use and would only mean adding to overflowing treasuries.

#### No Automatic Check.

In view of this, there is no automatic check to a rise in exchange above the gold value of a silver dollar, and when export trade and invisible exports predominate and

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BRITISH MATERIALS TO BE USED.

The whole of the material used in the contract placed by the Central Electricity Board with the General Electric Co., Ltd., for one section of the overhead transmission lines in the south-east of England, will be manufactured in Great Britain.

An official of the company stated that the contract, the value of which was approximately £500,000, would cover the erection of the 132,000 volt line in the district north of the Thames, stretching from Reading on the west to Peterborough on the north, and Ipswich and Colchester on the east. The total mileage of the overhead transmission would be 254 miles, and the total actual length of conductor would be 1,300 miles.

The contract would be carried out by the General Electric Company with the assistance of their associated company, the Pirelli-General Cable Works, Ltd., of Southampton, the latter company carrying out all the actual erection work. The work of erection would take in all three years, and employment would be given in the actual erection work to between 500 and 1,000 men. In addition to that employment would be given to large numbers in the manufacture of the steel towers, steel aluminium conductors, insulators, and other accessories.

The overhead lines are one section of the system of overhead lines covering the whole of England and Scotland which are being erected by the Central Electricity Board with the object of linking up the main generating stations throughout the country and affording a cheap supply of electric power in all districts.

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### CORRESPONDENCE.

Third Shanghai Sign.

[To The Editor of Hongkong  
Telegraph.]

Sir,—In spite of Mr. M. F. Key's repudiation and supporting official evidence to the contrary, I regret to be obliged to write again to repeat that I saw the notice "Chinese and dogs are not admitted" at the Garden entrance in Shanghai sometime in December, 1916, when I visited that port for the first time. On that occasion I was in company with a Commissioner of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway, the son of a well-known Chinese gentleman of Hongkong, now deceased, and I remember that my companion, attired in a costly fur robe, declined to join me for a stroll through the said gardens, and drew my attention to the offending signboard. I mentioned the notice to the late Dr. Wu Tingfang, who, I visited later in the day and he vouchsafed the opinion that "the law-abiding citizen must suffer for the faults of his ignorant brethren" or words to that effect. There must be hundreds of people who have seen the signboard prior to 1916, for I had heard of it long before I visited Shanghai and saw it with my own eyes. As it only affected the Chinese it is only natural that foreigners would not have noticed it much, but it was known to exist amongst most English speaking Chinese at that time.

I would like to say that I am not anti-British, rather the contrary, and I'm not at all surprised that the truth of my assertion is challenged by such high authority. However, we know that there is always a foreign element in China who make it their policy to willfully misrepresent the Chinese, but the truth is the truth for all that.—Yours, etc.,

TRUTH SEEKER.

Dairy Farm Milk.

Sir,—I happen to have known Mr. Manuk personally for the last 18 years and I believe that my firm have been customers of the Dairy Farm during the last 40 years. Under these circumstances my reason for not wishing to call at Mr. Manuk's Office to take a personal course in dairying is obvious, especially if Mr. Manuk persists in his superior attitude of treating the public like naughty children who should be satisfied with what they are given and who should not ask inconvenient questions.

I have neither the leisure nor the desire to take a course in dairying, whether by correspondence or what Mr. Manuk personally, but what I should like to have from Mr. Manuk is a plain and unequivocal answer to the following question:

Is the average fat contents of Dairy Farm milk at the time it is obtained from the cow the same as when it is delivered to the customer?

I wish to assure Mr. Manuk that I am not insinuating in the least that his Company is adulterating its milk or even that it is extracting the cream from it before bottling.

No, Sir, what I do maintain, is that the refrigerating and other processes to which Dairy Farm milk is subjected, automatically remove a large portion of the cream from it and at the same time concentrate it from a highly nutritious and vitaminous natural food to a devitalised and insipid artificial product.

Mr. Manuk keeps harping on purity and grades of milk. Distilled water is very pure, but try drinking a glass and see how distasteful it is. Grades of milk only refer to bacterial contents and Grade A milk is supposed to contain not more than 60,000 per cc, whereas Grade B contains 200,000, but what Mr. Manuk omits to mention is that within a few hours these numbers multiply to millions and if the milk is contaminated with harmful bacteria a few hundred thousand more or less of

### SIGHTSEEING TOUR.

JAPANESE TOURISTS DUE  
HERE ON SUNDAY.

A Japanese tourist party called the "Business Men's Party to Europe," and organised by the Osaka Mainichi Shinbun, the well-known Japanese newspaper, under the management of Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son, in co-operation with the Japan Tourist Bureau, has now reached the closing stages. Comprising 22 prominent men in business and industrial circles, the party left Osaka on April 27, and proceeded through Chosen, Manchuria, Siberia and Europe. Reaching Naples on June 21, the party boarded the N.Y.K. liner Hakusan Maru for the return voyage to Japan. The Hakusan Maru is due to arrive at Hongkong on July 21 and is scheduled to leave the next day.

A special programme has been arranged for the tourists by Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son at Hongkong, but a great deal will depend on the time the Hakusan Maru reaches Hongkong as she will remain here for only a few hours at the most. A drive round the island and a visit to the Peak will probably be included in the programme, and if time permits, it is understood that there will be a drive round the New Territories.

The twenty members of the Meiji University Baseball team, on a tour of the world, are also on board the Hakusan Maru on their way back to Japan. They left Yokohama on March 15 by the Siberia Maru for the United States from where they went to England.

Passengers on the Hakusan Maru for Hongkong include Mr. P. H. Chin, Mrs. W.F.C. Yin, Miss L.Y. Chou, and Mr. L.H. Foulds, British Vice-Consul at Manila, accompanied by Mrs. Foulds and Miss M. E. Foulds.

Those for Shanghai are Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Fuller and Master C.H. Fuller, Mrs. E.H. Gow and Miss E. R. Gow, Mr. and Mrs. S.V. Holey, Mr. V.A.Y. de Horatio, Mr. D. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. P.J. Stoneman and Miss M. Stoneman.

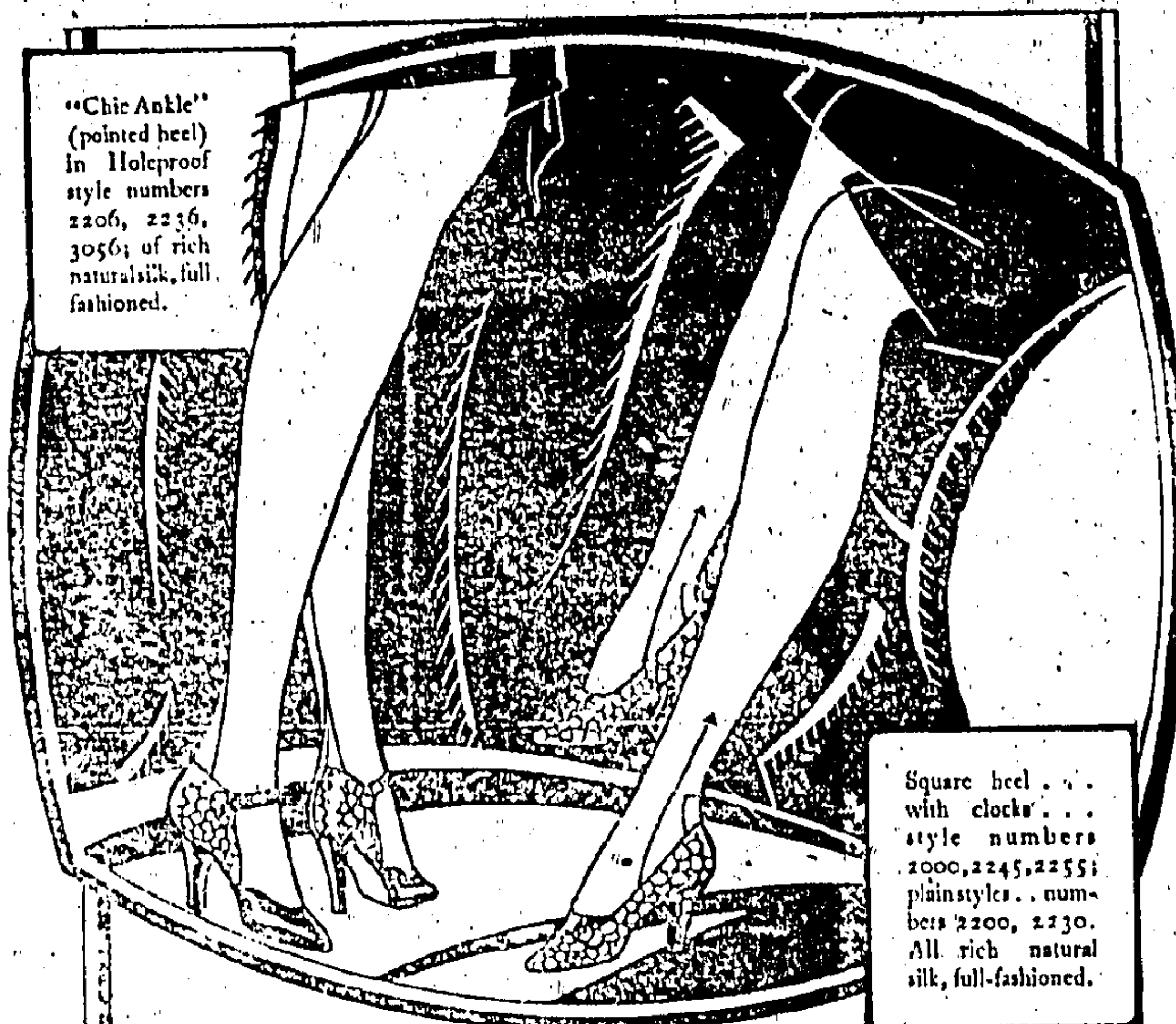
them will not make much difference as far as the prospects of getting infected are concerned.

The main point is that the sterilisation process makes no difference between the dangerous bacteria which are only present in milk occasionally through contamination and careless handling and the beneficial bacteria which form a part of natural milk and which contribute to its nutritious value. That the artificial processes to which milk is subjected in "up to date establishments" like the Dairy Farm devitalise it is proved by the fact that the prolonged feeding of infants with such milk (without the addition of other vitaminous products to their diet) is likely to cause infantile scurvy. I quote from "Larousse Medicale":

"Comme tous les laits surchauffés, industriellement et soumis à des manipulations multiples il risque d'engendrer du scorbut infantile, si est administré d'une façon prolongée—"

This quotation reminds me of Baby Welfare, who is evidently either a doctor or a nurse; if so he (she) certainly should know all about the correct feeding of infants, but I see nothing in his (her) letter to show that he knows anything about milk, nor do I find any relevancy in his remarks to the subject under discussion. He (she) states that the 3% fat milk supplied to infants in Professor Leonard Finlay's hospital was "the pure milk straight from the cow"—if so, the Glasgow cows must have been very poor specimens, for we have Mr. Manuk's statement that Dairy Farm milk contains 3½%. Obviously the milk "straight from the cow" either contained more than 3% fats or it was diluted down to 3% in the same way as the 1% and 2% was done.

Apologising for this lengthy letter.—Yours, etc.,  
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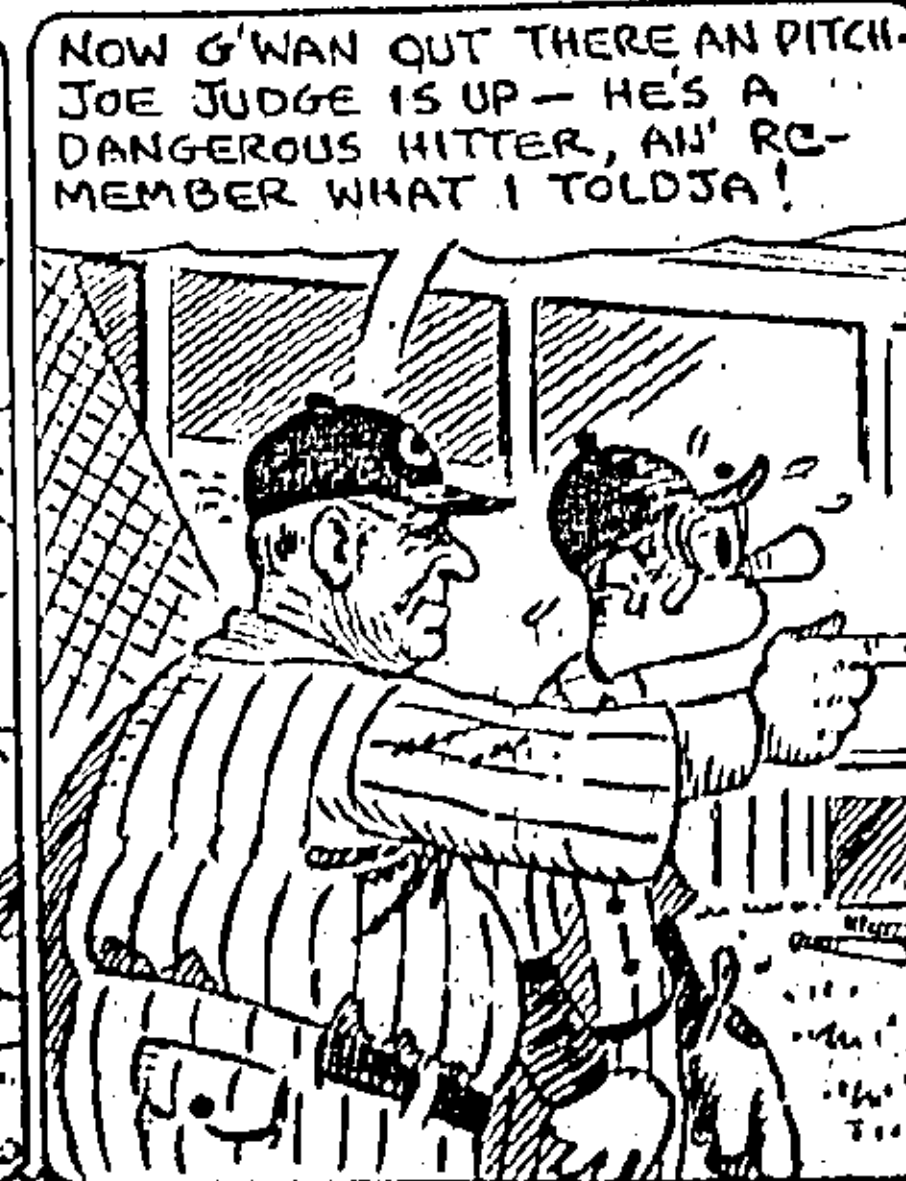
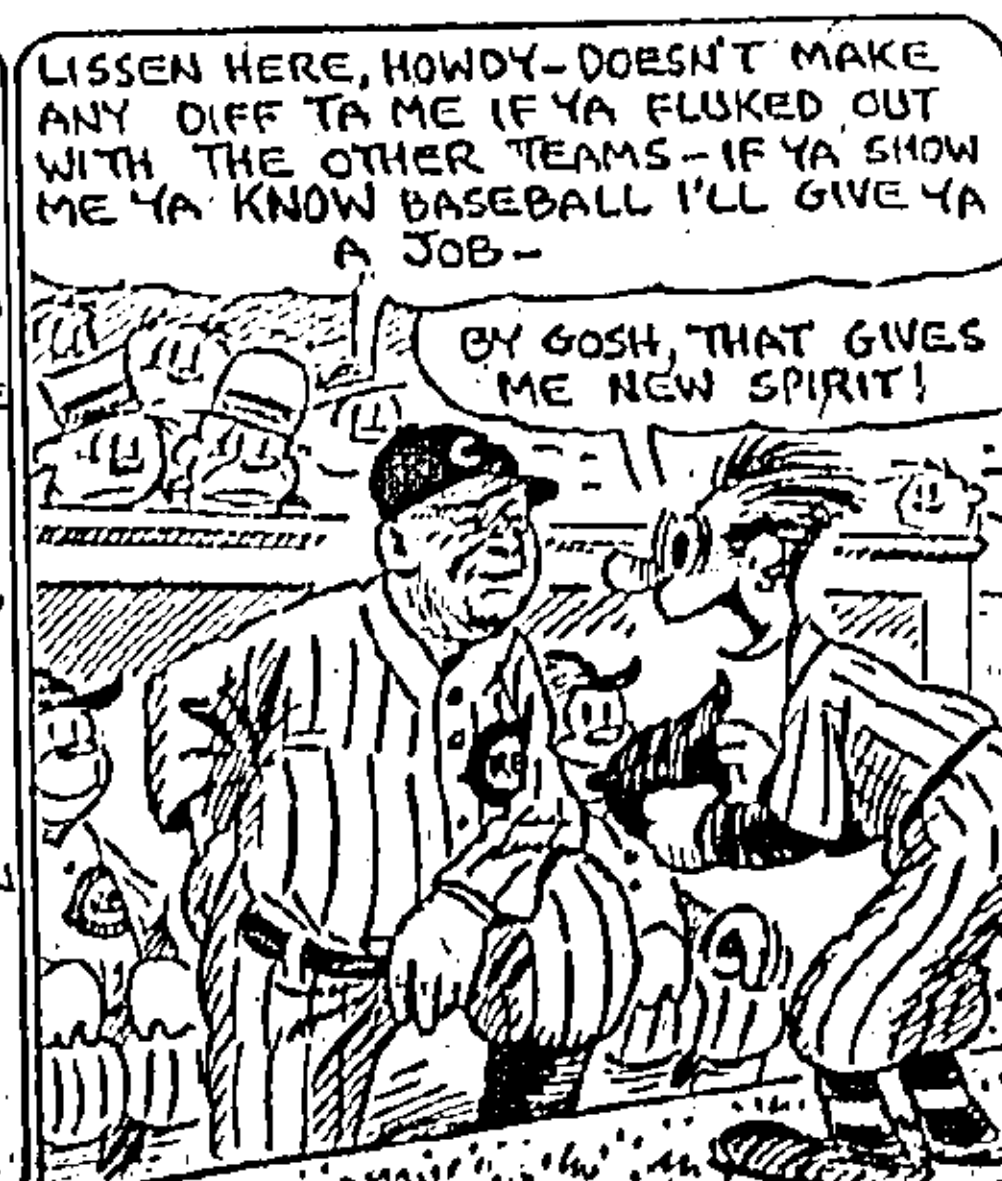


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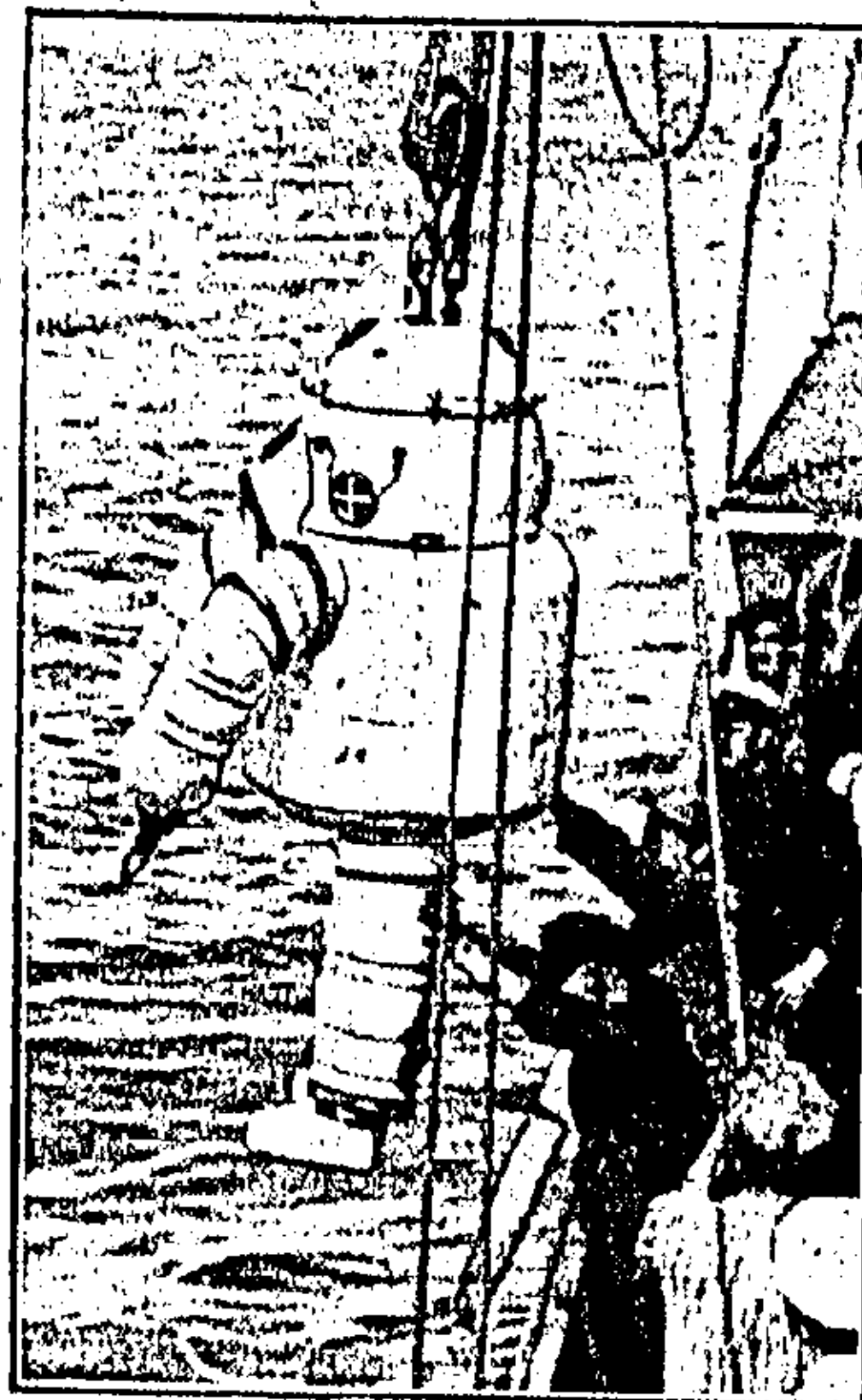
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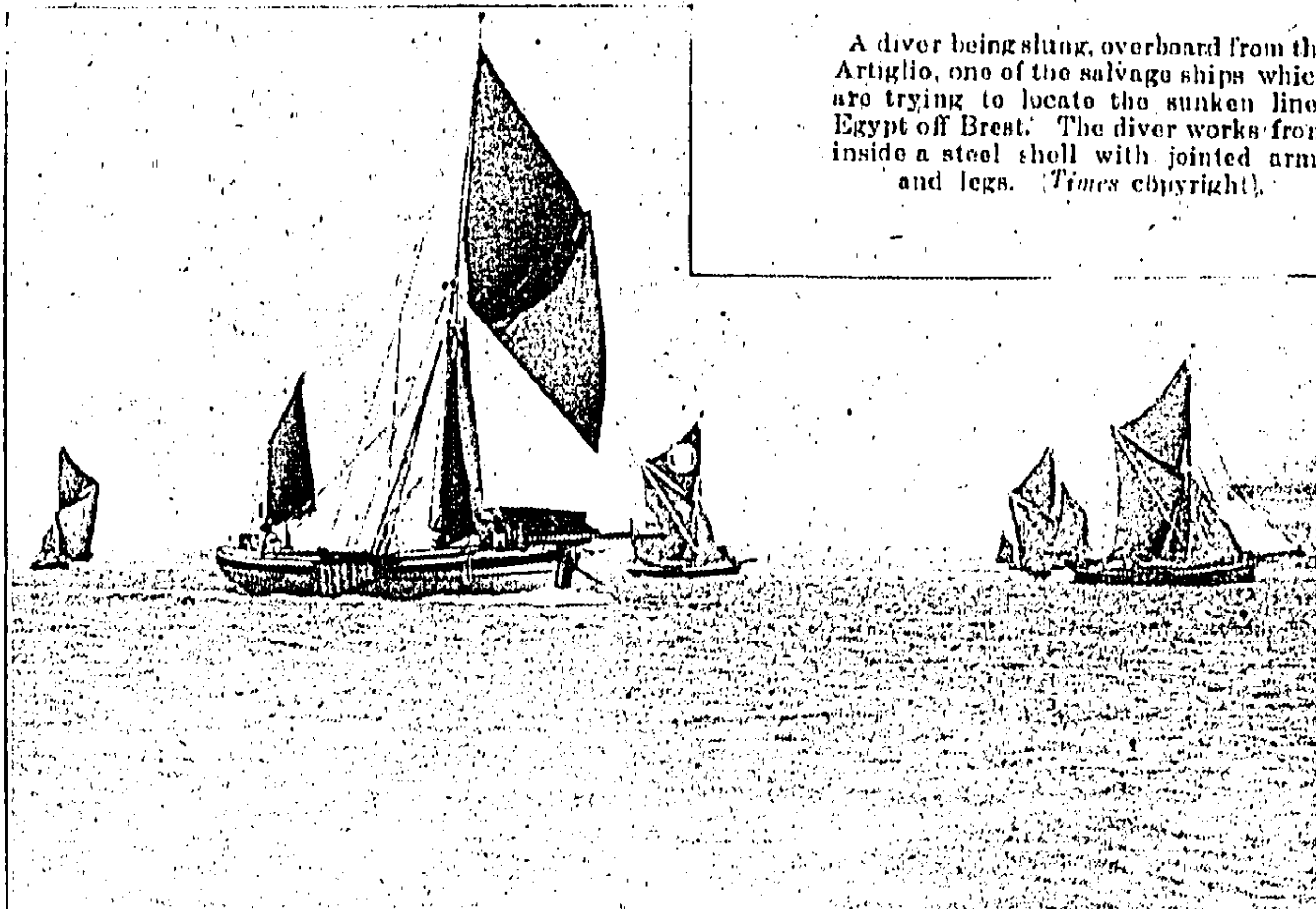
Our picture illustrates one of the enjoyable features of the final Quaintance Club Meeting at the Navy Y.M.C.A., Shanghai, a swimming party. The Quaintance Club of the Community Church holds regular monthly meetings, which are well-attended, as the photograph shows. The Rev. E. W. Luccock, pastor of the Church, is seated fourth from the right.



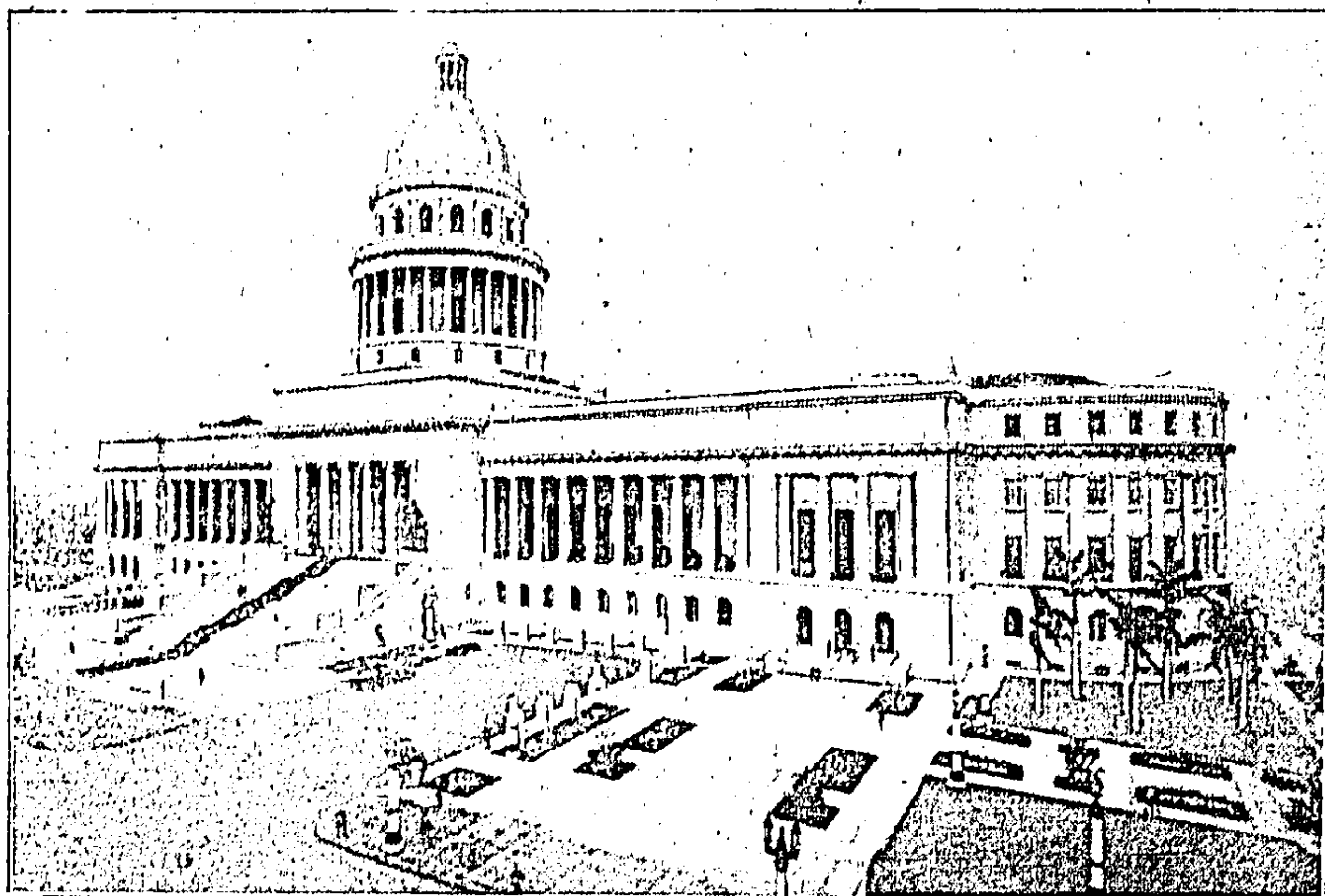
A diver being slung overboard from the Artiglio, one of the salvage ships which are trying to locate the sunken liner Egypt off Brazil. The diver works from inside a steel shell with jointed arms and legs. (Times copyright).



The eight-year-old King of Rumania is shown above in the reviewing stand at Bucharest as 100,000 troops march past. At the right is Queen Marie the Dowager Queen.



Nearly 20 Thames sailing barges took part in the annual races at the mouth of the Thames. Our picture shows a number of the competitors shortly after the start from the Lower Ho-o. (Times copyright).



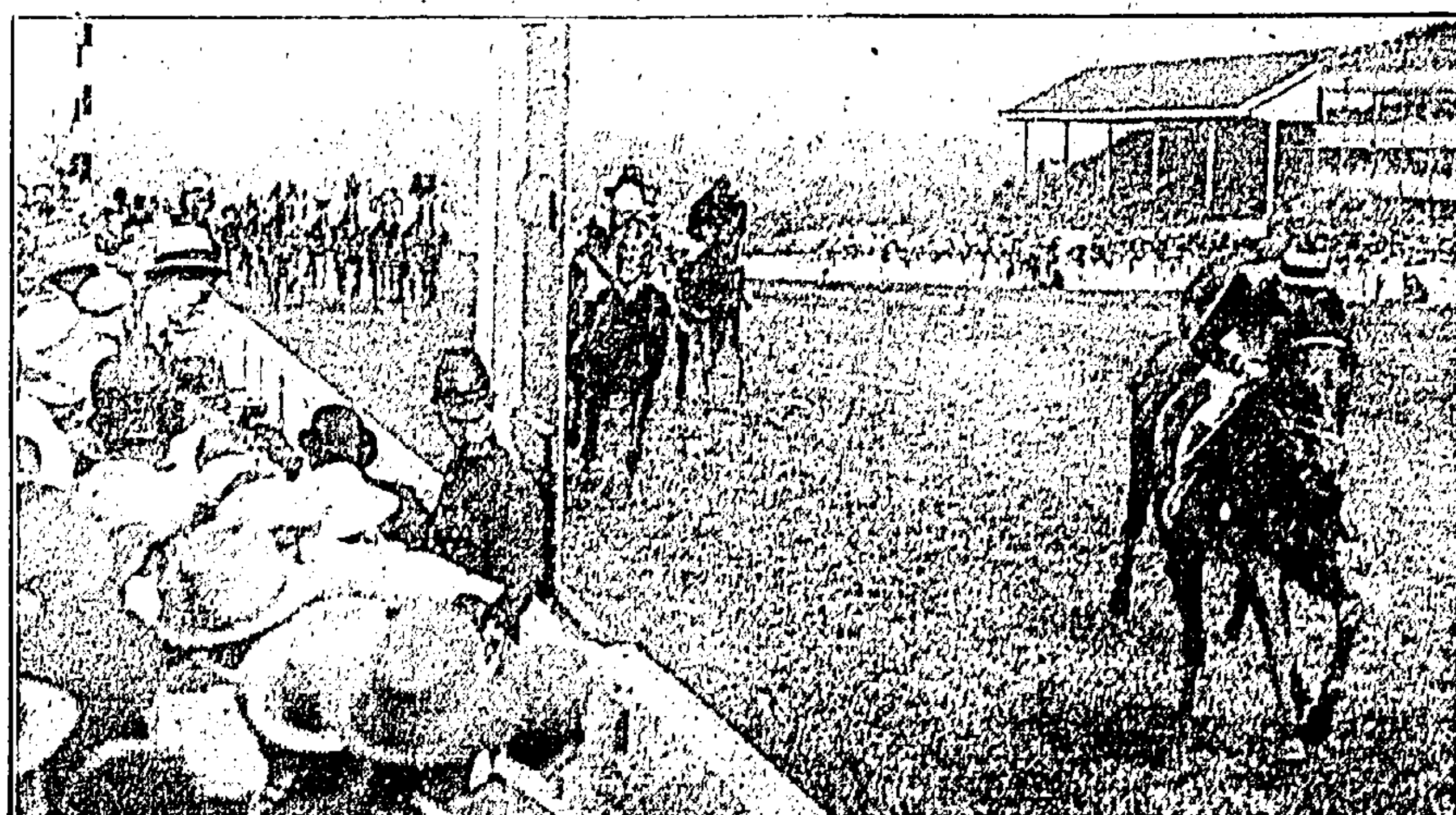
The imposing new Capitol building which was recently opened at Havana, Cuba. It is of steel-frame construction, faced with a white sandstone, and the total cost has been over £3,000,000. A London firm has been responsible for the whole of the interior decorations. (Times copyright).



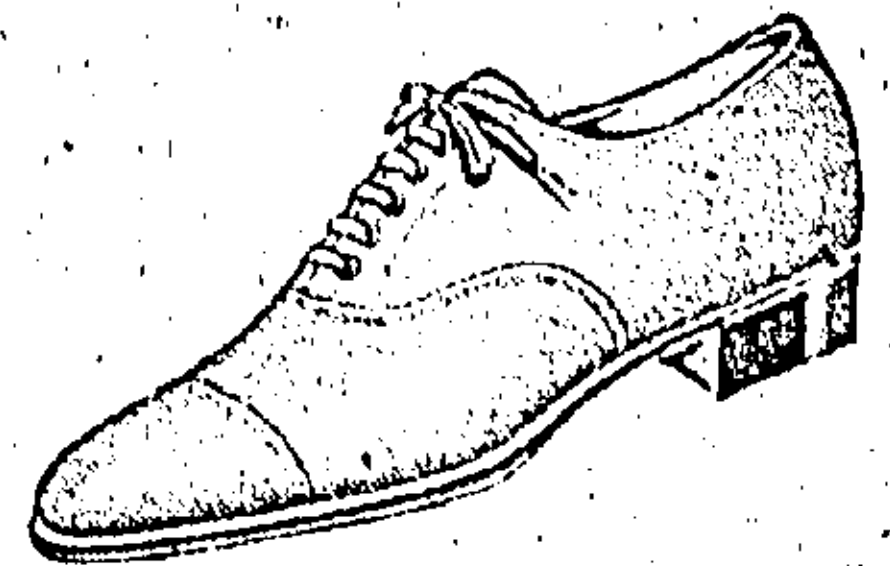
Another picture of Captain Lewis Yancey (left) and Roger Q. William, the American aviators, who recently crossed the Atlantic from Old Orchard, Maine, to Spain. They completed their trip to Rome on the following day.



In the final of the Surrey Championships recently, Miss Betty Nuthall, the popular young English star, beat Miss Elizabeth Ryan, the famous Anglo-American veteran, by 7-5, 6-1. Miss Ryan is seen tendering her congratulations. They were partners in the Wimbledon doubles, but lost in the semi-final.



Brilliant weather favoured the opening day of the Ascot Meeting and there was a large and fashionable attendance on the famous heath. Our picture shows "Covenden," P. Beasley up, winning the Gold Vase from the Aga Khan's Buland Bala by a length and a half. The Carthaginian was another three lengths behind, third. (Times copyright).



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By Order of the Board of Directors,  
L. S. GREENHILL,  
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Hongkong, 16th July, 1929.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th July, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 7th August, or they will not be recognised.  
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Hongkong, 18th July, 1929.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on FRIDAY,

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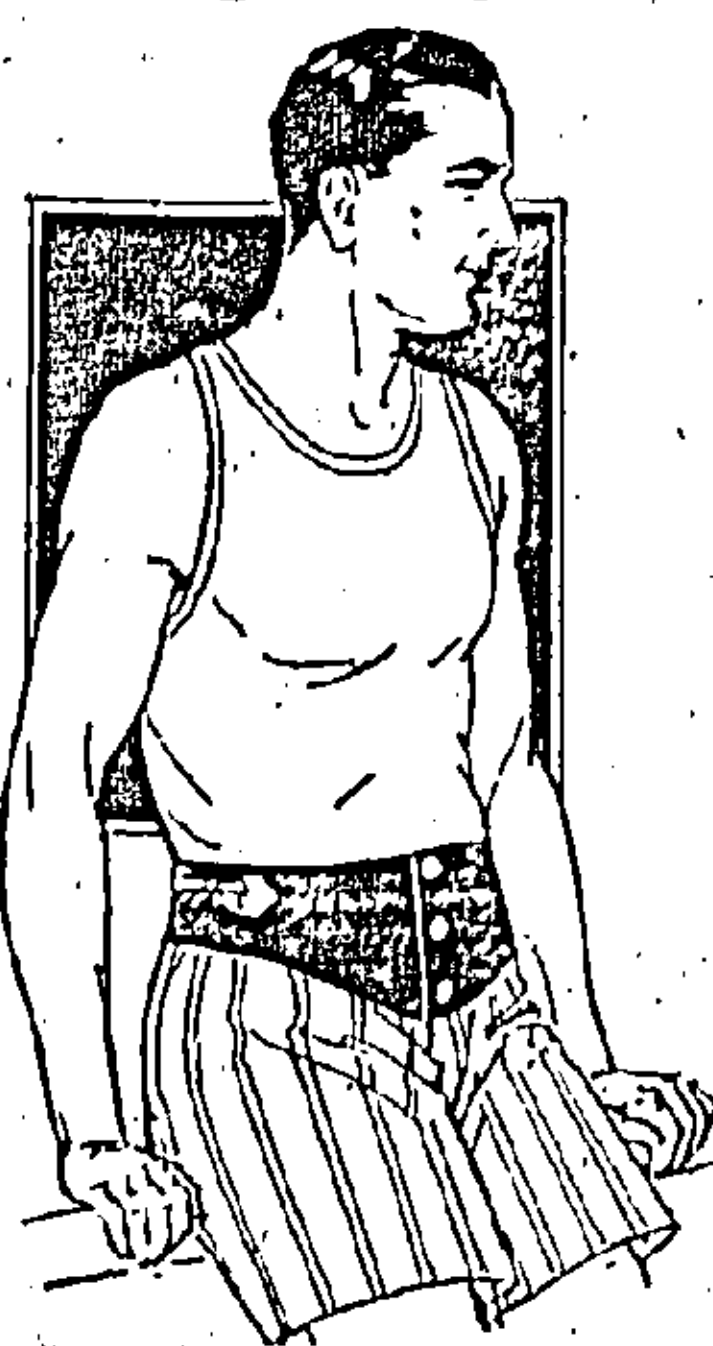
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Hongkong Bank, \$1265 sa.  
Chartered Bank, \$193 b.  
Mercantile A. & B., £33 n.  
P. and O. £91 n.  
East Asia \$91 n.  
**Insurance.**  
Canton Ins., \$630 n.  
Union Ins., \$324 sa.  
North China, Ins., Tls. 160 b.  
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.  
China Underwriters, \$2.20 s.  
China Fires, \$305 b.  
H. K. Fire Ins., \$770 n.  
**Shipping.**  
Douglases, \$275 n.  
H. K. Steamboats, \$25 s.  
H. K. Tugs, \$2 s.  
Indo-Chinas, (Def.) \$70 n.  
Union Waterboats, \$22 n.  
**Mining.**  
Benguela, \$3.05 b.  
Kailash, 63/3 n.  
Langkats, Tls. 141 b.  
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.75 s.  
Raub, \$6.90 b.  
Tronoh, 21/ n.  
**Docks, etc.**  
Kowloon Wharves, \$125 b.  
Whampoa Docks, \$35 s.  
China Providents, \$435 sa.  
Hongkows, Tls. 168 n.  
New Engineering, Tls. 64 b.  
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 138 b.  
Cottons.  
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.30 b.  
Orientals, Tls. 2.30 b.  
Shai Cottons, Tls. 771 (old) b.  
**Lands, Hotels, etc.**  
H. and S. Hotels, \$8.55 b.  
H. K. Lands, \$601 b.  
Shai Lands, Tls. 147 b.  
Humphreys, \$13 b.  
Realties, \$8 b.  
**Public Utilities.**  
Tramways, \$19 n.  
Peak Trams, (old) \$11.80 n.  
Star Ferries, \$64 n.  
China Lights, (Old) \$13.50 s.  
H. K. Electric, \$551 s.  
Macao Electric, \$261 n.  
Telephones, \$7 b.  
China Buses, Tls. 142 b.  
Singapore Traction, 11/ s.  
**Industrials.**  
China Sugars, \$0 b.  
Malabona, \$27 n.  
Canton Teas, \$2.10 b.  
Cements (Comb.) \$9.20 s.  
Ropas (Old) \$7 s.  
United Asbestos \$5 b.  
**Stores, etc.**  
Dairy Farms, \$19.50 b.  
Watsons, \$11.90 b.  
Dor A. Wings, \$0 b.  
Lano Crawford, \$11 s.  
Mackintosh, \$18 b.  
Sincere, \$12 b.  
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Amusements, \$281 n.  
Constructions, \$1.50 n.  
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## POST OFFICE NOTICE

## INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Shanghai and Amoy	Kanchow	July 18.
Australia and Manila	Kaga Maru	July 18.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 27th and 28th June)	Lahn	July 18.
Japan and Shanghai	Khiva	July 19.
U.S.A. (Seattle 20th June), Canada, Japan and Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 29th June)	Pres. Jefferson	July 19.
Shanghai	Alipore	July 20.
Calcutta and Straits	Takliwa	July 20.
Straits	Hakusan Maru	July 21.
Canada, (Victoria B. C. 4th July)	Emp. of France	July 22.
U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Aki Maru	July 23.
Japan	Namsang	July 23.
Straits	Sawa Maru	July 23.
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Monroe	July 27.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 28th June)		
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai		

## OUTWARD MAILS.

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For	Date and Time.
Saigon	Prominent Thurs., July 18, 4.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Francis Garnier Thurs., July 18, 5 p.m.
Manila	Bellingham Thurs., July 18, 5 p.m.
Straits and parcels for Germany	Lahn Thurs., July 18, 5 p.m.
via Hamburg	Chung Hwah Thurs., July 18, 6 p.m.
Saigon	Kaga Maru Fri., July 19, 9.30 a.m.
Japan	
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Malwa Fri., July 19, 10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard	Tai Pao Sat., Fri., July 19, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning Fri., July 19, 2 p.m.
Formosa	Ilavana Fri., July 19, 3.30 p.m.
San Shui and Wuchow	Tai Ming Fri., July 19, 4.30 p.m.
Tourane	Chungkong Fri., July 19, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Khiva Sat., July 20

Parcels K.P.O.  
Registration July 19, 4.00 p.m.  
Letters July 19, 8 a.m.  
G.P.O.  
Parcels July 19, 5 p.m.  
Registration July 20, 9.45 a.m.  
Letters July 20, 10.30 a.m.  
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Straits and Calcutta Hosang Sat., July 20, noon.  
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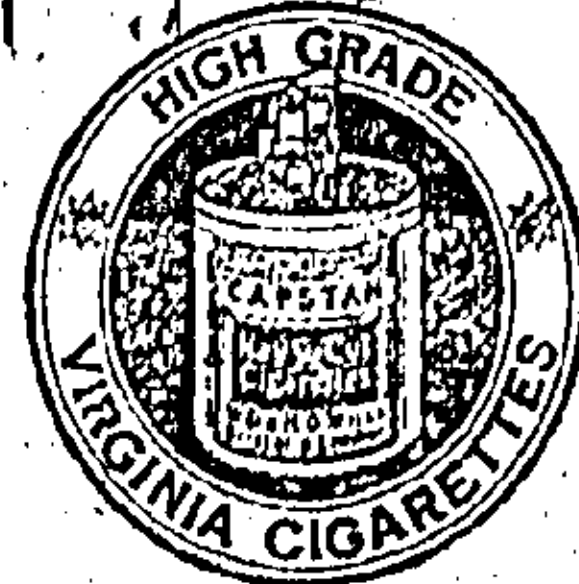
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## WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

### Impulsive People.

EITHER FORGET OR  
REGRET.

If you have a friend who is too impulsive you can serve her best not by pointing out her little weakness but by remembering it yourself when she forgets it. The impulsive are subject to the illusion that they are perfectly certain about what they want to do.

Impulsive people live to see the folly of their momentary certainties, but only rarely do they begin to apply brakes to their own intense desire to act, to pledge their word, to burn their boats, when such desire sways them. Sometimes we can do nothing for them at all but leave them to survey the chaos they have made by their recklessness.

But often we can be of some use. We can refuse to share the illusion, refuse to interpret the strange act as anything but the expression of a mood, to accept the pledge, to destroy our own craft! Impulsive people as a rule either forget or regret what they have done. If they forget we must be too generous to remind them; if they regret their actions or their promises we must be quick to understand the moment in which—probably without any direct allusion to what has happened—they try to tell us so. Whenever your too impulsive friend suggests any sudden plan to you or tells you of a decision she has just made, you must make your own plan and your own decision not merely on the basis of what she says to-day but also on the basis of what she is likely to say to-morrow. You must always use your knowledge of her as well as your ears.



The model sketched is typical of the picturesque evening frocks affected by youthful Parisiennes. Developed in soft black satin and fleshpink net, it is lightly embroidered with fine gold thread. Note the long, transparent net sleeves another very new feature of evening modes.



Navy blue and white kid are combined in this new slipper for resort wear with interest attached to unusual vamp treatment. The white kid is folded on the vamp to give the effect of tucks.

### Novelties.

GLASS CUFF LINKS.

A smart pair of cuff links made of glass, with tiny pictures beneath it. For the hunting enthusiast there are gaily coloured hounds and horses, and the polo expert has designs of polo players riding their ponies.

Double-Buckled Shoe.

A fashionable pair of black patent leather walking shoes has the novel decoration of a double suede frill at the front. The shoe has an ordinary buckle, and behind this are the two frills, which are black and have a narrow edging of white.

Rainbow Necklace.

Minute cylinders of metal in rainbow shades are strung together to make the latest necklaces. The cylinders, about an inch in length, are threaded in chains and twisted into a thick rope, so that a bright and barbaric effect is obtained when these necklaces are worn.

Plumed Hat.

It is quite usual to see a small cloche hat with a plume over one ear, but one does not often notice a model with plumes at each side. A hat made of corn-coloured straw has a large cluster of feathers at either side, which look most attractive, as they are the same shade as the straw, and are speckled with a deeper brown.

Retrieved Initials.

An impudent-looking dog of no known breed, with two or three initials dangling from his open mouth, is frequently to be found as decoration on the new jumper suits. The dog is usually worked in brightly coloured silks, with the initials of the wearer outlined in a vivid shade to contrast with the material of the suit.

Original Evening Gown.

Pale pink chiffon, embroidered with forget-me-not blue beads, is used for the bodice of an evening gown which has a long full skirt of fine black lace. The pink bodice is tight-fitting, and is joined to the black skirt at the natural waistline by an embroidered girdle of blue beads.

Fringed Tennis Socks.

The newest of the short socks, so popular on the tennis court, have a ragged fringe on the part which turns down over the ankle. The tops are coloured blue, yellow, green, or red, and the fringes consist of alternate white and coloured ends.

### Celanese Materials.

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OCCASIONS.

A few years ago not many of us would have guessed that it would ever be possible to dress in artificial silk for every occasion. At a recent mannishin parade at Home, however, models for every hour of the day and night, from pyjamas to a Court gown, were made entirely from Celanese materials.

Pyjamas of apple-green georgette, a boudoir wrap of sunblaze-satin, with cami-knickers of the same shade made of georgette, and a tea-gown of pink marquette and georgette, would indeed fill with envy the hearts of those who have not enough leisure to make much use of such dainty creations.

Clothes for the holidays are taking up the time and attention of all. Few people spend a holiday in the same way, and the girl whose idea of enjoying a fortnight by the sea consists of spending most of her time in the water will find that a bathing-suit with a cape to match made of lock-knit gives her a really attractive appearance, and yet does not hamper her activities in the water. Her sister who revels in the promenade or a deck-chair on the beach will be investing in a beach ensemble, and one seen of red with a wrap-over skirt and cape and a hat and parasol to match was very smart.

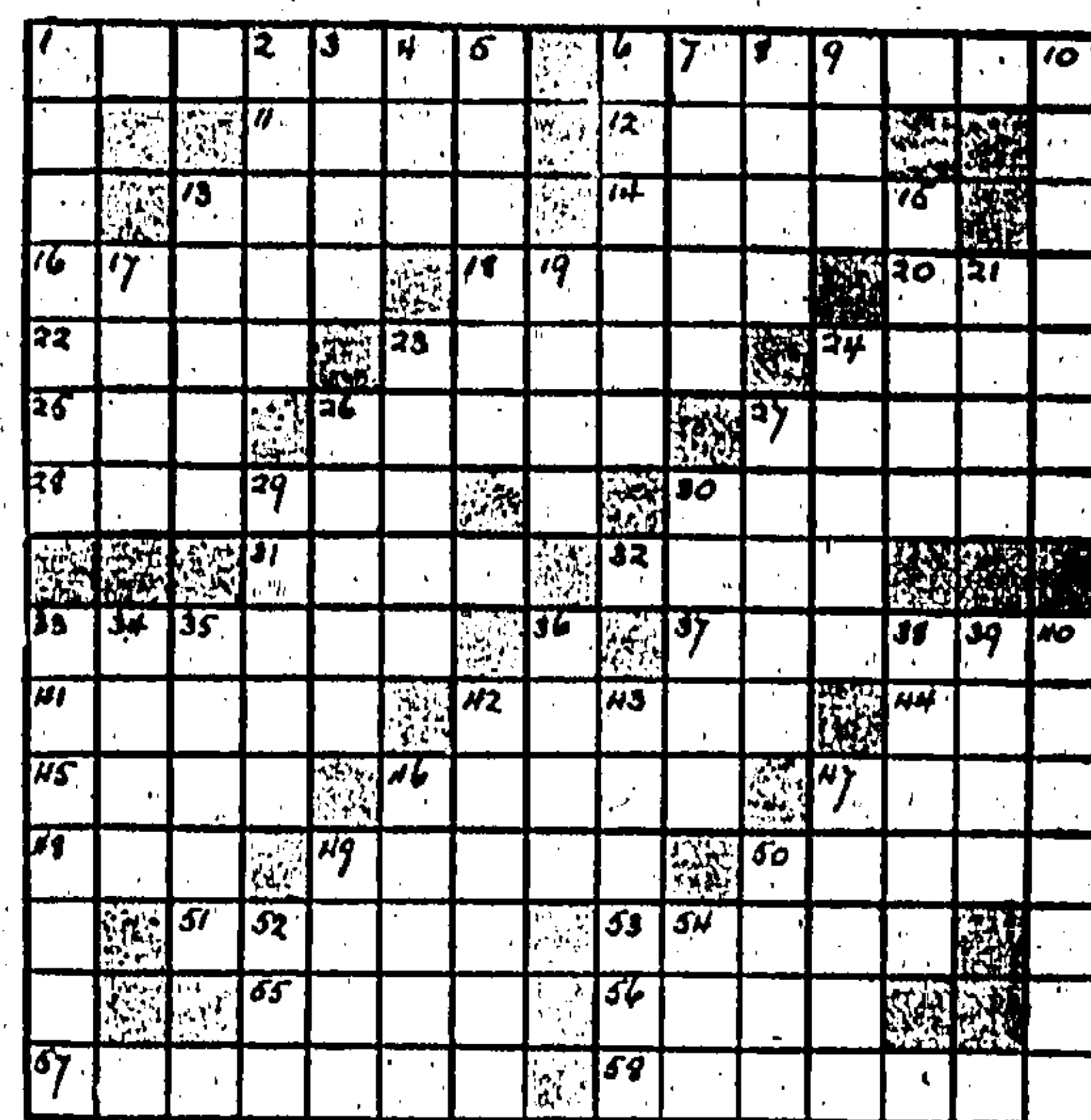
For tennis dresses white marocain made of artificial silk is in great favour, and when the costume is completed with a little jacket of menhe marocain, the tout-ensemble makes any girl feel that she is really "it."

Afternoon and evening dresses made of satin, marquette, tulle and georgette, in most cases with a little cape or coat to match, and in shades that suit every type of figure and colouring, have been designed from artificial silk.



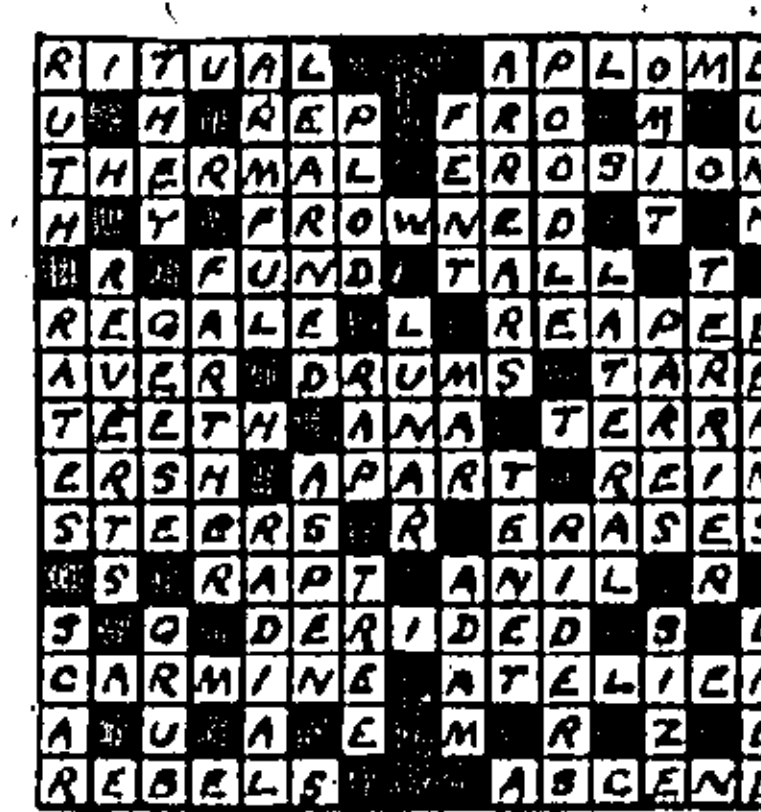
For little dances is this pretty frock in finely tucked beige chiffon. Tiny frills of beige lace effectively adorn the full skirt, while the fitting bodice repeats the lace idea in a frilled yoke with plain shoulder straps.

### OUR NEW BRITISH CROSSWORDS.

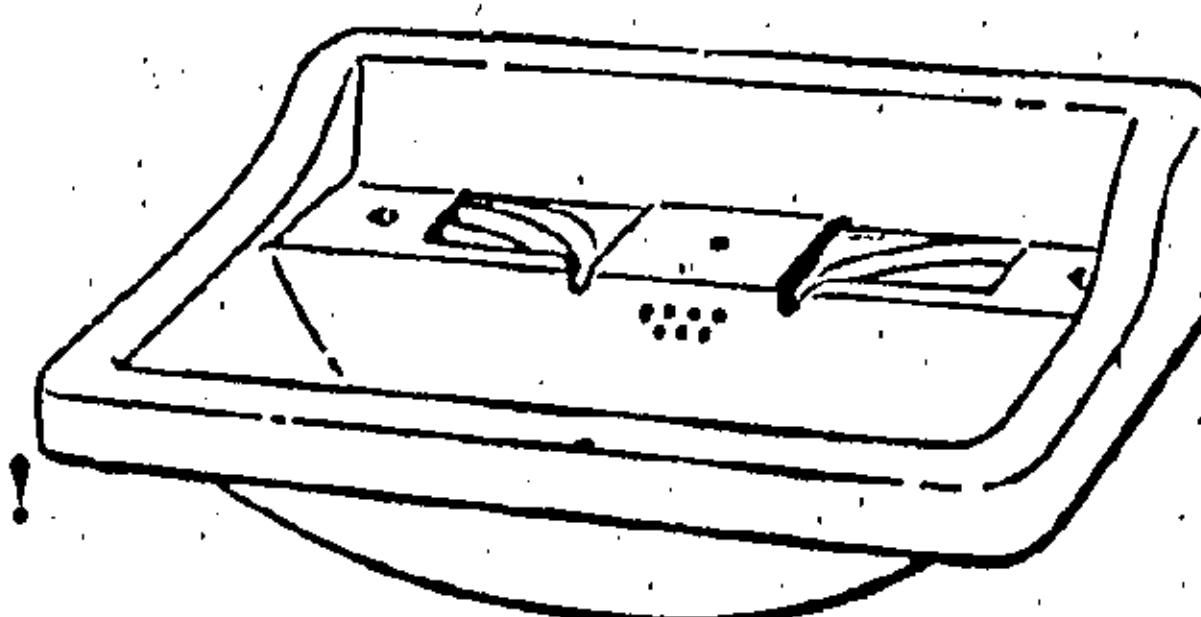


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- 1 Pasture
  - 6 Common bird
  - 11 Receive
  - 12 Heap
  - 13 Trims by shaving
  - 14 Pastoral pipes
  - 16 Impelled forward
  - 18 Cessation of hostilities
  - 20 Nautical term
  - 22 Dreadful
  - 23 Tranquillity
  - 24 Weary
  - 25 Newt
  - 26 Military clergyman
  - 27 More pure
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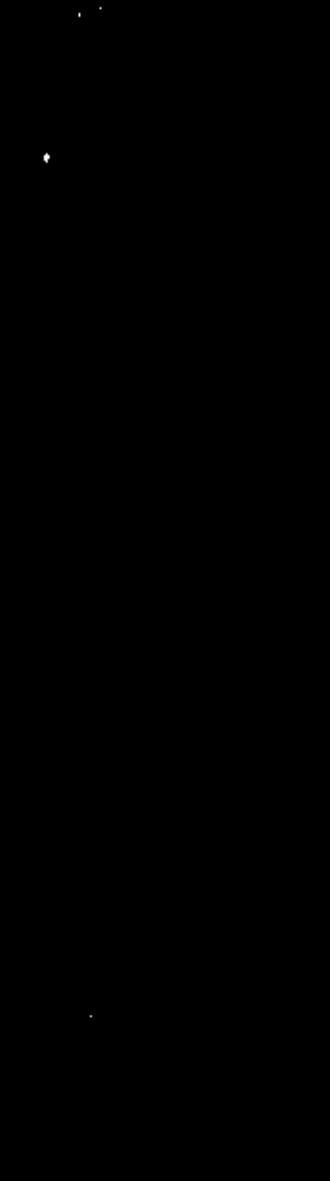
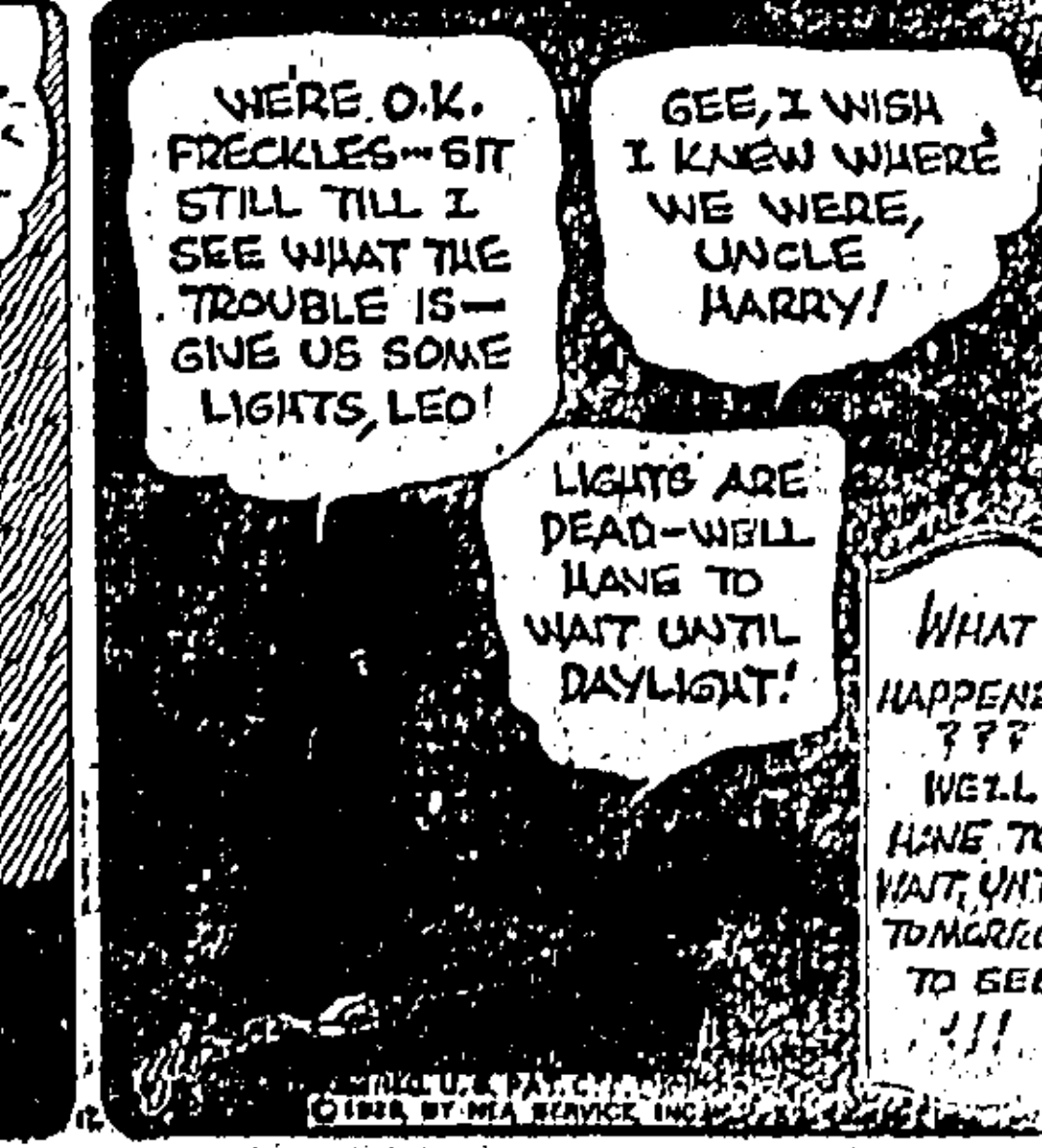
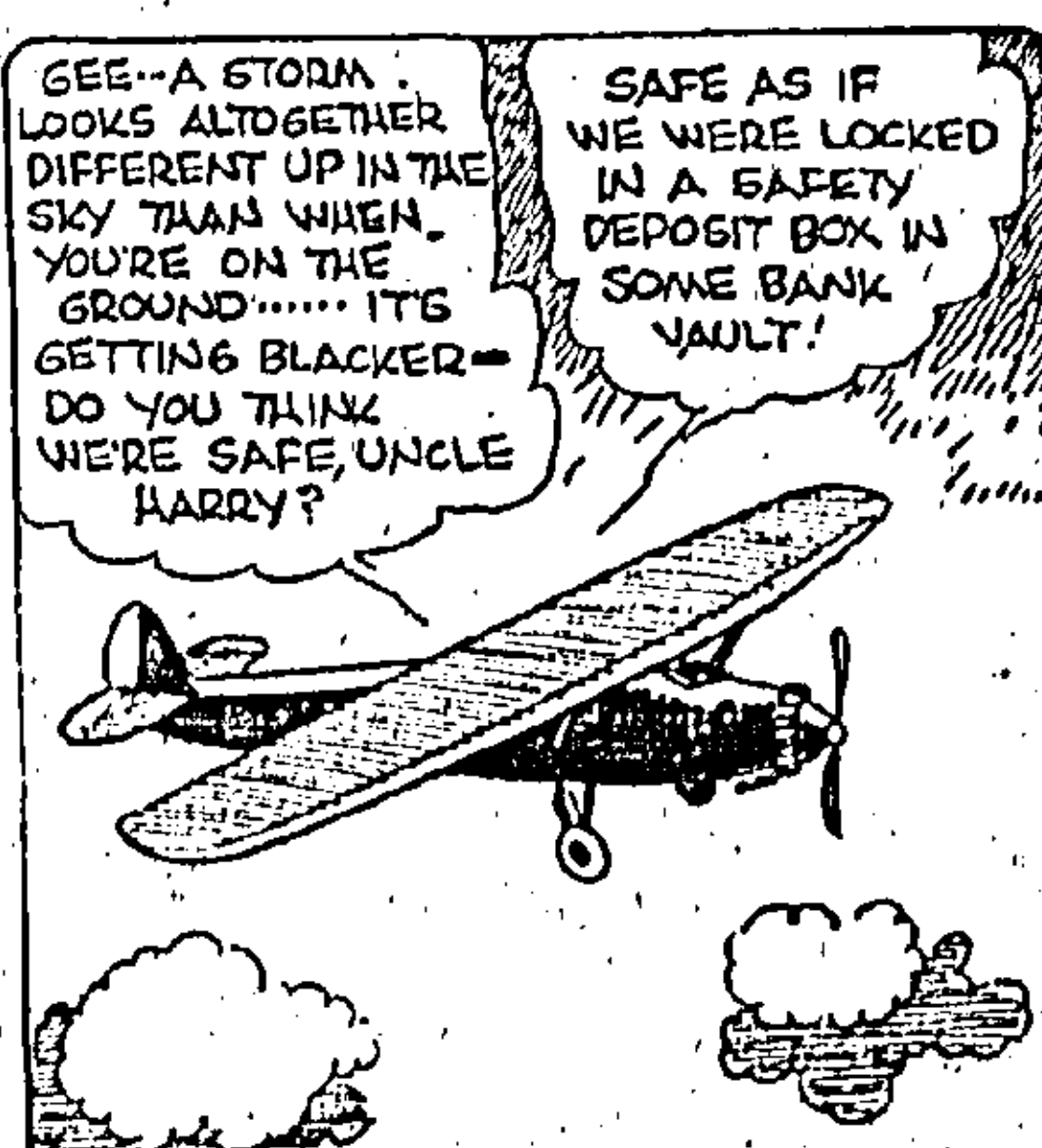
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#### BIRTH.

BARCLAY.—At the Victoria Hospital on 17th July, 1929, to Esther, wife of T. C. Barclay, a son.

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Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, JULY 18, 1929.

#### EASTERN WAR CLOUDS.

In a dispute such as that which has arisen between China and Russia, anything is liable to happen. It is this circumstance which makes it difficult to write on a situation which is liable at any moment to undergo a sudden change. As we pen these words, the outlook does not look at all peaceful, for, in reply to the Soviet Note, China has not only ignored the demands made by Russia, but has put forward what are without question counter-demands, be they described as they may. The situation is further aggravated by the continued anti-Soviet activity on the part of the Manchurian authorities. If we add to these developments the fact that troop movement is reported on both sides, it will be recognised that the situation is pregnant with serious possibilities.

Precisely why Chang Hsueh-liang has chosen this moment to take the action he has—action which he and the Nanking Government must have known would have involved complications with a major Power—is not easy to see. There is probably more behind the happenings than has yet come to light. There can, however, be no question that China has committed a bad blunder. She may have had a just grievance against the Soviet, whose plottings in Manchuria, Mongolia and China Proper are well known. But there is a right and a wrong way of dealing with such matters. Unfortunately, China has taken the wrong course. Had she adhered to diplomatic usage, her case, in the eyes of the world, would have been infinitely stronger than it is to-day. She complains that Russia has not carried out the terms of the 1924 Agreement regarding the control of the Chinese Eastern Railway, and proceeds to argue from that basis that her action cannot be considered a violation of that understanding. Specious pleas of that type are not very convincing. In any event, two wrongs do not make a right. Unfortunately, China did not proceed to secure an adjustment of the position

through customary methods, whilst the raiding of the Soviet Consulate without the usual diplomatic endorsement also serves to illustrate China's recent tendency to over-ride the requirements of accepted procedure when dealing with other countries. This, as will have been observed from foreign Press comment, has already reacted against the Chinese in various parts of the world.

If it be true, as the Soviet alleges, that so far back as February 2nd, Russia sent a Note to Mukden proposing a discussion on all outstanding issues and that no notice was taken thereof, then the impression that China has been spoiling for a fight is heightened. Moreover, the Russian Note on the Harbin incidents expressed a willingness to enter into negotiations on all issues, provided the arrested Russians were released and China's "illegal" orders cancelled. We agree, of course, that the Soviet aggravated the position by tacking a three-days' ultimatum on to the Note—a procedure which was by no means called for, and one which showed the Soviet to be in a rather belittling frame of mind. We have the utmost sympathy with China in her desire and determination no longer to put up with Soviet propaganda in her territories, for we know how much evil has sprung therefrom in the past. All peace-loving nations are at one with China on that issue, but, as we have remarked, there are right and wrong ways of coping with mischief-makers. Strained as the situation is at moment, we still pray that sane counsels will prevail and that the differences between the two nations may be adjusted along peaceful lines.

#### Government Patchwork.

While past experience, we are sorry to say, gives us no reason to suppose that the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council will consider at all deeply the supplementary votes requested by the Government this afternoon, an item of additional expenditure is included which calls, we consider, for special comment. It concerns what, in itself, is a very minor matter, the cookhouse at Victoria Gaol. The Government asks for a vote of \$1,500 to enable the present cookhouse to be demolished and a new one constructed. The balance of the cost is represented by the provision of \$2,500 in this year's Estimates, and it is explained that the original proposal to add a storey to the existing building cannot be satisfactorily accomplished, as the present cookhouse is "very old, dilapidated, too small, ill-ventilated, and has urinals on each side. It cannot satisfactorily be re-modelled." It has taken the Government or the P.W.D. approximately nine months to discover this, and apparently none of the work authorised in October last has been done. And, of course, no explanation is forthcoming to show why the real needs were not accurately set forth originally. The Government seems content to fiddle about whenever the opportunity offers, which we contend, not for the first time, is throwing good money after bad. The patchwork of old buildings which have served their day and generation goes on merrily. The Government chooses rich phraseology to condemn the cookhouse at the Gaol (very old, dilapidated, too small, ill-ventilated and cannot be satisfactorily remodelled) but this might very well be applied to the entire Gaol without over-stating the case.

#### WATER LEVELS.

FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, compiled by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung, shows the water levels in English feet on the West, North and East Rivers on the dates named:

	July 16	July 17
Shiuhing	21.7	20.8
Taiygyuen	8.3	7.5
Samshui	13.3	12.6
Shedung	0.2	5.4

#### DAY BY DAY.

WE LAUGH NO MERRIER ON VELVET CUSHIONS THAN WE DID ON WOODEN CHAIRS.—J. K. Jerome.

No cases of notifiable disease were reported in the Colony yesterday.

The new Bank which is being erected in Queen's Road Central, on the site of the old Telephone Company's building, to which we made reference yesterday, is a branch of the National City Bank of New York, and not the "International City Bank of New York," as it was described.

The July number of the *Yellow Dragon*, the school organ of Queen's College, has just been issued. Besides a generous quantity of reading matter and another instalment of "The Flowering Plants of Hongkong," by "A.H.C." this number contains an article entitled "Kakataui," also by "A.H.C."

The many friends of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dawson will be pleased to know that their son Aubrey has recently been awarded a Hulse Medal Scholarship at Keble College, Oxford. Aubrey Dawson was educated at the Diocesan Boys' School, Hongkong, and at the Grammar School, Wakefield.

#### STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The American Mail Liner "President Jefferson" was scheduled to sail from Shanghai yesterday and will arrive at this port on Friday, July 19. She will sail on the following day at 6 p.m. for Manila.

The American Mail Liner "President McKinley" will sail from Manila on Saturday, July 20 at 8 p.m. and will arrive at this port on Monday, July 22 at 7 a.m. This steamer will sail at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 23 for Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai and Japan.

The Dollar Round-the-World Liner "President Monroe" is due to arrive in Kobe to-day and will sail on July 19 for Shanghai, arriving at that port on July 22 and sailing on July 24. This steamer is due at this port at 7 a.m. on Saturday, July 27 and will continue her journey on Sunday, July 28 at 8 a.m.

The Dollar Liner "President Lincoln" from Seattle July 13, is due at Hongkong on August 2nd. The B.L.S. "Takliwa" from Singapore, is due here on Saturday morning.

### BRIDGE MADE EASY by W.W. Wentworth

(Abbreviations: A—ace; K—king; Q—queen; J—jack; X—any card lower than 10.)

#### Reading Cards—2.

The fact that a certain card is led may have a definite message for you as to the remaining cards of that suit held by the leader. When your opponents win the contract you must be on the alert to correctly interpret your partner's opening play. When you are the declarer you must be ready to mirror the leader's hand so that you may be able to find the quickest, safest route to your goal—the game.

One of the essentials of skillful play is the ability to mirror correctly the leader's suit. As a general guide remember that:

The opening lead of the King signifies that the leader also holds the Ace or Queen or both of that suit.

The opening lead of the Queen signifies that the leader also holds the Jack or Jack-10.

The opening lead of the Ace followed by the King signifies that the leader holds no more of that suit and wants his partner to return it at the earliest opportunity so that he may trump it.

The opening lead of the Jack signifies that it is in all probability being played from King-Jack-10 or Jack-10-8.

The opening lead of the King followed by a switch to another suit on the second round signifies that the leader probably holds the Ace-King-Jack and wants his partner to lead up to him in order that he may finesse the Jack.

The opening lead of the 2 at no trump signifies that the suit contains only four cards.

The opening lead of the Ace followed by any card other than the King on the second round signifies that the leader does not hold the King of that suit.

The opening lead of an Ace followed by a switch to the suit bid by partner signifies that the Ace is a singleton.

The lead of any honour at no trump signifies that the suit contains at least three honours or two honours and the 9.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

##### A Wanchai Plea.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—For perhaps very good reasons the Water Authority has not seen fit to relax the present water restrictions even though there has been very good rainfall. If such reasons are sound, then, to be fair, the next thing to do is something further towards easing the hardships of the water carriers. As I gaze up at the winding queue of receptacles on the many hundreds of zig-zag granite steps which connect upper Ship Street with Kennedy Road, I am moved to plead whether the Water Authority or those in charge of tap installation could not have the eight taps, now near the bottom of Ship Street, placed in some other spot in Wanchai where there is more level ground and shelter upon which the water carriers could stand to await their turns. It is really pitiful to watch these carriers of both sexes, ranging in age from ten to fifty years and over, all lugging their tins in an endurance race up slight after slight of hard granite flags in order to get to the end of the queue which on several occasions actually extended up into Keny Road.

Apart from being without shelter of any kind during the day, many of the women and children carriers become practically exhausted when they finally arrive at their positions and in this condition they sit or lie down to rest and should the queue move forward the harder members, generally brawny coolies, gladly take instant advantage of their partial helplessness to "jump" tins, filling the blank spaces between, accompanied by shouts and derisive laughter. This goes on from dawn and only until late at night, sometimes up to 12 o'clock and after does the long procession shorten.

Surely there must be some better place in Wanchai to accommodate this long human stream without their having to labour several hundreds of feet up away from the taps with their tins then come down again step by step with the broiling sun above their heads and sizzling flags beneath their feet. As regards the prick tank out in the Reclamation grounds, I hear repeated complaints about the quality of the water contained in it. Consumers agree that there is a salty-sour taste about it, due, no doubt, to contamination by sea water. This tank has therefore, become somewhat "unpopular" with drawers of water and I should suggest that the Water Authority look into that matter also. I am, however, glad to observe that the police are performing their duties efficiently at the taps and giving everyone a fair chance.—Yours, etc.,

HUMANE.  
Hongkong, July 18, 1929.

#### TO-DAY'S COUNCIL MEETING.

##### MANY MATTERS ON THE AGENDA.

There is a full agenda for the meeting of the Legislative Council which is taking place this afternoon.

Questions are to be asked by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga on Kowloon Tong matters; and by the Hon. Mr. Shekton on the vehicular ferry, wireless and malaria.

The Ordinance to legalise charges for metered water is also to be introduced, whilst the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock will move a resolution on the general water question.

The Finance Committee will later consider the following votes:—\$1,500 for the erection of a cookhouse at Victoria Gaol, \$12,000 for personal emolument to the Assistant of the Attorney General, \$1,500 for six typewriters for the Wireless Telegraph Office, and \$5,400 for the equipment of King's College.

#### EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, July 17.
Paris	87.5
New York	4.86 3/32
Brussels	34.91
Geneva	25.22
Amsterdam	12.08 1/2
Milan	92.725
Berlin	18.005
Stockholm	18.21
Copenhagen	18.205
Oso	24.40
Vienna	103
Prague	103
Helsingfors	103
Madrid	33.42
Lisbon	103 1/2
Athens	318
Bucharest	57 1/2
Buenos Aires	47 1/2
Bombay	1/5 25/82
Shanghai	2/4 1/2
Hongkong	1/11 1/4
Yokohama	1/10 59/64
Silver (spot)	24 1/2
Silver (forward)	24 1/2

—British Wireless.

## The Very Idea!

Five thousand volumes of "Chin Ting Ku Chin Tu Shu Chi Ch'eng," a Chinese encyclopedia, has been delivered to the East Chinese Library at McGill University. The volumes were compiled and printed between 1686 and 1726, and weigh close to two tons.

This vogue of bare legs on the courts has seized some female tennis sports.

I wonder who commenced it? Although I have no frigid mind (in fact to broad views I'm inclined), Frankly I'm all against it.

Reducing further what they wear, Without a single blush or care— This is the latest craze. It really is above a joke; At this rate I shall soon be broke. (P.S.—I am a draper).

When Alfred Green, aged 28, a decorator, of no fixed abode, pleaded guilty at Hendon Police-court to stealing a woman's handbag, he said, "I don't want to go to prison. Can you give me a flogging or something like that?" He said that he joined the Army when he was 13 and thought he must have got among bad companions. The handbag belonged to Mrs. L. Daniel, of Ridge-hill, Golders Green, who said that Green snatched it from her at Armitage-road, Golders Green.

Green was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Policeman at Willesden—His language was very bad, and he kept telling his wife what he would like to do to policemen in general.

Kingston Wife—I am not strong enough to go to work. Husband—You're strong enough to read a novel while I mend my overcoat. Mr. Justice Ivory, in the King's Bench Division—There are many works of art nowadays which involve no appearance of beauty at all.

When Hobbs was only twenty-two, And Craig went round reciting, And bowlers bowled, and wickets flew, And folks like this weren't writing;

When hours of play were not cut short, And weather seemed less wayward, And no one talked of Golf as "sport," Our hero was Tom Hayward.

Broad-framed and thick moustached was he, Of massive arm and shoulder; And century by century He made, while Hobbs grew older.

Brave plaudits hailed his stalwart build, As soon as one described him, We scarce remarked, the while we thrilled, The slightest form beside him.

And now these lads upon the grass His name can scarce remember. Will 'Hobbs himself as lightly pass Some evening in September?

Even the modern child can be diplomatic.

Here is a case in point, a fact:—Grandpa, going away on a long holiday, kissed little Bobby, his grandchild.

Poor grandpa's kisses were wet kisses, cold, and unpleasant. So after the operation Bobby, rubbed his hand across his mouth. "See," said grandpa, displeased, to grandma, "He is rubbing it out."

"Oh, no, grandpa," said Bobby. "I am rubbing it in."

The impending sale of the late Earl Kitchener's estate, Broom Park, near Canterbury, recalls a good story told by Bishop Oxenden, Metropolitan of Canada, who was born at "Broom," the ancient home of the Oxendens. His father's custom was to pay his blacksmith's bill half-yearly, accepting the man's total without question.

Once, however, a dispute arose as to some item, and the smith was told to bring an account. After some delay the footman, smiling broadly announced to Sir Henry that the man had brought it.

Further delay occurred and a great lumbering on the stairs. Then, into the study came the "bill" borne by the blacksmith and his man. All the items had, as usual, been chalked on the huge forge door in mysterious characters explicable only by the smith himself. The account was settled without further question.



# LANDALE STREET MURDER.

POLICE ENQUIRIES REVEAL NO NEW FEATURES.

## NEIGHBOURS SILENT.

What was apparently an attempted armed robbery, accompanied by the murder of a Chinese woman, said to be the wife of a sea-captain, last night, caused considerable stir in the Wan-chai district.

The scene of the murder was No. 11, Landale Street, where armed robbers had succeeded in forcing an entry into the first floor, tenanted by a middle-aged Chinese woman. Precisely what happened afterwards is not known, but it appears that they met with resistance from the woman and in the course of a desperate struggle she was stabbed and received mortal injuries, from which she expired a few minutes after attention was attracted to the floor.

Police Headquarters report that there have been no fresh developments in the case, although investigations have not been relaxed in an endeavour to bring the assailants to book.

Information is being sought as regards the whereabouts of three men who were seen to leave the house shortly after cries for help were heard from the premises in which the body of the victim was subsequently discovered.

Nothing was stolen from the premises, and this has presented a puzzling feature to C.I.D. officers who are now inclined to accept any other suggestion of the motive of the crime as being just as tenable as that of attempted robbery.

The crime was enacted on the first floor of a building situated in a busy thoroughfare, and at a time when most of the shops had not taken down their shutters. Such being the case, the cries uttered by the victim as she was being done to death, and which continued for several minutes before she collapsed, must have been heard from the street.

Police Handed. Yet so little notice was taken that even when three men were seen to rush from the floor, no attempt was made to intercept them. The cowardice or callousness, whatever it might be, that was displayed, is a psychological difficulty that has been often encountered by police officers and one which has greatly hampered them in their task of bringing criminals to book.

As was the case last night, said one officer, people in the shops and on the floors within the immediate vicinity of No. 11, Landale Street, returned a blank reply to enquiring police officers this morning. In all cases, when interrogated, they professed that their attention was solely occupied with their personal tasks, and stated that they did not see the escaping assailants.

The attack was carried out with great ferocity, as there was evidence on the body of no fewer than four distinct thrusts made with a sharp instrument, which might have been a rudely-fashioned dagger.

People in the neighbourhood heard cries for help at a quarter of eight o'clock last night, issuing from the floor. A few minutes later, when entry was effected into the premises, they found the dead body of the woman lying in a pool of blood. She had a severe stab wound in her abdomen. About the last words she is known to have uttered after help arrived, were addressed to a servant, and these were understood to mean that she had been stabbed by robbers.

### Signs of Struggle.

The place presented a scene of utter confusion to police officers who arrived soon after. Pieces of furniture were strewn all over the place, indicating the desperate nature of the struggle which the woman put up before her death. All likely points were being watched last night, but it is felt that, with the meagre information provided, an early development to the case need not be expected.

Examining the door leading into the floor, it was found that the lock had been broken, this suggesting that an entry had been effected by forcible means. The unfortunate woman was thereby probably warned of the attempt, and was prepared to put up a struggle which cost her her life. It was stated that the deceased was the wife of a British captain, who being informed of the murder, was in a state of collapse when he appeared on the floor. He was questioned by the detectives, and the body was later removed to the mortuary.

It is understood that there was a small girl of about six years old on the premises at the time, she being the adopted daughter of the deceased woman, and it would seem that the child was a witness of the grim affair.

# RAIDING ROADWAY FOR STONES.

COOLIE WOMEN LET OFF WITH CAUTION.

## "RETAIL BUSINESS."

Four coolie women appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on charges of removing earth and stones from the Tai-po Road without a permit.

Mr. J. S. Bench of the P.W.D. informed his Worship that the defendants were among a party of coolie women who were removing stones from a part of the old roadway on the Tai-po Road.

Mr. Bench mentioned that he did not think the disused part of the old road would need to be repaired, but the damage, if it were repaired, would amount to nearly \$300. If the people were allowed to remove what was wanted, they would start removing what was wanted.

When asked who instructed them to remove the stones, the defendants said they were to be used for building purposes, the defendants replied that they had received no instructions, but were merely taking the stone in the event of contractors requiring some.

His Worship asked if they were setting themselves up in a retail business in stones and received a reply in the affirmative.

His Worship said that he was going to caution the defendants as they had already spent one night in cells, and ask them to caution their friends that if they were taken before his Worship they would be fined or sent to prison.

## ROYAL LIFE-SAVING SOCIETY.

POLICE CANDIDATES OBTAIN AWARDS.

An examination for the Proficiency Certificates and Bronze Medallions of the R.L.S.S. was held yesterday. The party proceeded by launch to Lyceum where they were joined by the instructors, L. Bdr. W. Adams and Gar. T. Hall-stone of the R.A. There were thirteen candidates present, the partner for the old man being C.S. Hunt, who has rendered valuable assistance with these classes, and is now instructing a class himself.

Eleven candidates obtained both the awards, fulfilling all the necessary tests to the Examiner's satisfaction. P.S. R. W. Ritchie, L/S. J. A. R. May, S/L A. E. Carey, L/S. L. J. Wardland, L/S. F. E. Howarth, L/S. A. E. Banks, L/S. C. W. Brand, L/S. T. A. Hughes and Cpls. Ali Mohammed B.321, Fattah Haidar Shah B.290 and Hasham Khan, B.50.

The weather conditions were ideal for the tests and the general standard of the candidates was good.

## ALLEGED FRAUDULENT CONVERSION.

CASE COMING UP THIS AFTERNOON.

Mention was made, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, of a case of fraudulent conversion of a sum of \$500 which money was alleged to have been handed to a tailor for delivery to the Chief Officer of the R. F. A. Belgol.

The defendant was alleged to have converted \$300 to his own use on July 9 and another \$200 on July 10.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada, jun., appeared for the prosecution, while it was stated that Mr. F. C. E. Rendall had been retained by the defence.

The case was put over until this afternoon when his Worship will decide whether he will be in a position to take the case tomorrow.

It was stated that two of the witnesses for the prosecution are leaving the Colony during the next few days and will not be back for a fortnight.

## CINEMA PROGRAMMES.

TRADE ASSOCIATION CALLS ON OFFICIAL.

London, July 17. The Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, Mr. W. R. Smith, received a deputation from the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association to-day which made certain proposals for securing greater changeability of pictures on different reproducing apparatus.

He promised that their representations should be given careful consideration, and a further meeting may be held later.—*British Wire- less.*

# KOWLOON BUS CO. DEFRAUDED.

YOUTH WHO PRETENDED HE HAD TICKET.

## DELIBERATE TRICK.

Admitting a charge of travelling on a Kowloon bus without paying his fare, a young Chinese who appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning said that when he boarded the vehicle he thought that he had ten cents in his possession.

According to the prosecution, defendant admitted to the ticket inspector that he was a season ticket holder, but had left his ticket at home. He was taken to the Company's offices where it was discovered that he was not a ticket holder.

When questioned by his Worship the defendant admitted he pretended he owned a ticket.

His Worship said that he had to take a serious view of the case because of the deliberate trick.

## BATHING PICTURES.

Amateur Photographers Are Wanted.

Amateur photographers are reminded that a prize of \$10 is being awarded for the best local bathing picture sent in during July, whilst \$2 each will be paid for all others accepted for publication.

If you are going bathing this week-end, don't forget to take your camera with you—a good snapshot may win \$10.

## CHINESE FINED FOR ASSAULT.

A dispute as to whose turn it was to draw water resulted in the appearance of a Chinese before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of assaulting a young girl.

The defendant pleaded guilty. Sub-Inspector James intimated that it was not a serious case. He said that the girl was drawing water when the defendant tried to push her away. When she insisted on taking her turn the defendant struck her.

His Worship asked the defendant if he did not think it rather cowardly to strike a woman especially a woman of the size of the complainant.

A fine of \$3 was imposed.

## KARAKORAM RANGES.

SUCCESSFUL EXPEDITION BY A DUTCH EXPLORER.

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## WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following is the disposition of warships now in port:—*Basin.*—H.M.S. "Tamar" and Submarine L19. *North Arm.*—H.M.S. Sirdar and H.M.S. Somme. *West Wall Dock.*—H.M.S. Castor. *In Dock.*—H.M.S. Sterling, H.M.S. Stormcloud and H.M.S. Cicada. *Foreign.*—U.S.S. Mindanao and French gunboat *Argus.*



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# INDIAN GUARD TOO ZEALOUS.

SEQUEL TO AN INCIDENT AT WATER TANK.

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An Indian guard and a water-carrier whom he accused of wasting water, were recognised as having figured in a previous case when they appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Police Court this morning.

This coincidence gave the Court food for thought, to the extent that the Magistrate was led to question the facts of the present offence.

Inspector Bloor, the prosecuting police officer, stated, in reply to a question from the Bench, that the guard in question did try, sometimes to be over-zealous when supervising supplies at the tank at Sutherland Street.

Giving evidence, the guard stated that he saw the defendant fill a bucket, and then proceeded to wash his hands and feet from the tank, fully opened as it was.

This was denied by the defendant.

In dismissing the case, the Magistrate suggested to Inspector Bloor that it was a good idea to have the Indian transferred to another tank, in view of the facts shown by the previous case.

A Chinese woman, charged before Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg with wasting water at a street fountain, pleaded that she was merely rinsing two buckets.

She was fined \$10, or 14 days.

## MORE TROUBLE AT A FOUNTAIN.

CHINESE FINED FOR ASSAULT.

A dispute as to whose turn it was to draw water resulted in the appearance of a Chinese before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of assaulting a young girl.

The defendant pleaded guilty. Sub-Inspector James intimated that it was not a serious case. He said that the girl was drawing water when the defendant tried to push her away. When she insisted on taking her turn the defendant struck her.

His Worship asked the defendant if he did not think it rather cowardly to strike a woman especially a woman of the size of the complainant.

A fine of \$3 was imposed.

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# MORE EVIDENCE IN JUNK CASE.

WOMAN SAYS SHE DOESN'T KNOW "SISTER."

## CONFLICTING STORIES.

The interpleader summons in which the ownership of a junk is in dispute was continued in the Summary Court this morning before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) when further evidence was called, largely referring to the relationships of the witnesses to each other.

Two women witnesses told two opposite stories, one claiming to be the sister of the other, but the other denied this, saying she did not know the woman.

Another woman denied that she went to Mr. Remedios' office together with Chau Ho, his wife and two other people and asked, for junk to be released, saying that they would pay off a portion of the costs and Chau Ho would pay off the judgments by instalments.

Mr. Cheung Lei-chor, Mr. Remedios' clerk, afterwards entered the witness box and stated that the people did come to his office and the events which the woman had denied in fact occurred.

The case is one in which three judgments were delivered against Chau Ho, described as of the junk named Kwong Wo Hing, license H-4417, lying at the typhoon shelter, Mongkok. Plaintiffs are Wong Sze-ko, married woman, No. 185, Reclamation Street, Yau-mati, and Lo Kwai, boatman, of the same address, their claims being \$329.37 and \$768.30 respectively. The third creditor is Leung Tai-lai, widow, No. 808, Canton Road, Yau-mati, whose claim is for \$360.80.

When the judgments were not satisfied the junk was seized and was to be sold when a claimant appeared, saying that he owned the junk and that Chau Ho was only the charterer. This man was denounced as an impostor, and the son of Chau Ho, namely Chau Yau, was set up as the owner. The point at issue is who owns the junk.

Mr. J. T. Prior is for the claimant and Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios is for the judgment creditors.

The case is continuing.

## LOCAL CURRENCY "ANOMALY."

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gold currencies are offering in excess of the cover obtainable, exchange rises to a point where there is a falling off in gold currencies offering, or the import currencies are sufficiently stimulated to provide the necessary cover. The invisible exports from South China are chiefly the remittances from Chinese abroad. They run into a large sum annually and payment of the remittances is always taken in Hongkong notes. (Ordinary exports of produce etc. may be checked to a certain extent by an advance in the rate of exchange. Remittances Responsible.

This is not so much the case where Chinese remittances from abroad are concerned and the continuous volume of the remittances has the effect, in the absence of an active import trade, of keeping exchange at a high level.

The premium on the Hongkong bank notes is determined by the difference between the actual current rate of exchange and the cost at which dollars can be imported, and the limit to which the premium can go depends entirely upon the rate at which holders of gold currencies are willing to exchange such holdings into silver in the form of bank notes—in other words the premium they are prepared to pay for the note rather than take payment in silver dollars.

The premium on bank notes has no benefit whatever for the banks by which they are issued. The holders of bank notes obtain the full benefit of such a premium in the purchase of gold exchange or of commodities, the price of the latter being determined by the rate of exchange.

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### CANTON BILLIARDS.

#### CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST RESULTS.

The first-round of the Canton Amateur Billiards Association Championship for the "Pinditor" Cup, has now been completed. The following are the results:

Mr. D. Latimer defeated Mr. Lee Man-sik by 142 points. This match was played off at the Canton Customs Club. Mr. Lee Man-sik was inclined to be slightly nervous at the start and immediately lost considerable ground. However, he pulled up nicely about halfway through the game and scored the largest break of this match, 35. Mr. Latimer played his usual calm and consistent game, scoring steadily the whole time and going out at 500 to his opponent's 358.

Mr. W. ("Bill") Read defeated Mr. C. E. Watson on the Club Lusitano table by 80 points. The game was evenly contested but uninteresting, neither player seeming to like the table. The game was slow throughout and Mr. Watson dropped away towards the end. Score:—Mr. Read, 500; Mr. Watson, 420.

Mr. Wu Wing-hong was to have met Mr. Wong Yuen-suen, but one of these players has scratched, though it is not yet known which one.

Mr. F. Stormes walk-over; Mr. Wong Po-keung scratched, being obliged to leave for Shanghai.

Mr. Kong Yu-tai walk-over; Mr. G. M. D. Wolf scratched.

Mr. A. E. Osmund defeated Petty Officer S. D. Day on the Canton Club table. Mr. Osmund played the best game witnessed so far and defeated his opponent by a large margin of 252 points. He also made the largest break made in the championship so far, 48. The game started slowly, the first hundred being marked up, only after 35 minutes; Osmund then seemed to settle down wonderfully and scored the other four hundred points in an hour, going out at 500 to his opponent's 248.

Mr. G. L. Maggs defeated Mr. J. Band at the Club Lusitano by 280 points. The game was without any particular interest, Mr. Band being outplayed from the start. Score:—Mr. G. L. Maggs, 500; Mr. J. Band, 220.

Mr. J. E. Nogra walk-over; Mr. Fung Che-huen failed to turn up at match.—Our Own Correspondent.

### U.S. BASEBALL.

#### LEAGUE RESULTS AND STANDINGS.

New York, July 13.  
Yesterday's baseball matches resulted as follows:

#### National League.

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	8	11	1
New York	3	7	3

(First game)

Chicago	12	19	2
New York	16	18	2

(Second game)

Cincinnati	6	12	0
Boston	0	4	2

Pittsburgh	6	11	1
Philadelphia	2	5	6

St. Louis	6	11	1
Brooklyn	3	12	2

#### American League.

	R.	H.	E.
Washington	9	16	2
Cleveland	3	8	1

Boston	15	16	0
Detroit	8	12	3

No others.

The League standings are now as follows:

#### National League.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Pittsburgh	49	26	.653
Chicago	46	27	.630
New York	46	34	.575
St. Louis	39	38	.506
Brooklyn	34	41	.453
Philadelphia	32	44	.421
Boston	31	48	.392
Cincinnati	28	47	.373

#### American League.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Philadelphia	55	21	.723
New York	45	28	.616
St. Louis	46	30	.605
Detroit	42	39	.518
Cleveland	38	38	.500
Washington	29	45	.391
Chicago	29	51	.362
Boston	28	56	.291

### LAWN TENNIS.

#### TWO MATCHES IN THE MIXED DOUBLES LEAGUE.

Two matches were played in the Mixed Doubles League yesterday, the Kowloon C.C. and Chinese R.C. winning from Club de Recreio and Kowloon Bowling Green Club respectively. The Chinese R.C. have now completed their programme.

Kowloon C.C. entertained Club de Recreio and won by eight sets to one. Scores:

E. C. Fincher and Mrs. Sayer (K.C.C.) lost to C. Barretto and Miss T. Assumpcao 6-7, beat G. Noronha and Miss M. Alves 6-1, beat H. Noronha and Miss C. Botelho 6-0.

T. Lay and Mrs. McCaw (K.C.C.) beat Barretto and Miss Assumpcao 6-0, beat G. Noronha and Miss Alves 6-1, beat H. Noronha and Miss Botelho 6-0.

S. E. Green and Mrs. Hambley (K.C.C.) beat Barretto and Miss Assumpcao 6-2, beat G. Noronha and Miss Alves 6-0, beat H. Noronha and Miss Botelho 6-3.

Chinese v. Bowling Green.

Playing with no less than four reserves the Chinese R. C. gained an easy victory over the Kowloon Bowling Green Club at Causeway Bay. The home team won by eight sets to one. Scores:

Cheng Chi-wing and Mrs. Kew (Chinese R.C.) beat W. White and Mrs. Hedley 6-0; beat W. Brown and Mrs. Cuthill 6-3; beat C. E. Stewart and Mrs. Purdew 6-0.

Mr. and Mrs. Chiu Tsun-chiu (Chinese R.C.) beat White and Mrs. Hedley 6-2; beat Brown and Mrs. Cuthill 4-0; beat Stewart and Mrs. Purdew 6-4.

Law Poak-ki and Miss G. Ahlong (Chinese R.C.) beat White and Mrs. Hedley 6-3; beat Brown and Mrs. Cuthill 6-1; beat Stewart and Mrs. Purdew 6-3.

League Tables.

	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Kowloon C.C.	5	5	40	5.5
Chinese R.C.	6	5	42	12.5
Craigower	4	3	12	13.3
University	4	2	19	17.2
Ladies R.C.	5	2	32	23.2
Recreio	0	1	5	14.2
Kowloon B.G.C.	6	4	5	49.1

### YUNNAN EXPLOSION.

#### FAST NUMBER OF CASUALTIES.

Peking, July 17.  
Details from Yunnanfu are coming through slowly. It appears the explosion occurred at the arsenal, which is inside the walled city. A thousand people were killed and five

### AMERICAN STOCKS.

#### CABLED QUOTATIONS FROM NEW YORK.

The following quotations as at the close of the market on Wednesday have been received from their correspondents, Messrs. Hayden, Stone and Co., of New York, by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, Sassoon House, Shanghai, (cable address "Swanstock," Shanghai), who are not responsible for the cable mutilations. The quotations are subject to confirmation:

	Previous Price.	Latest Price.
Anaconda Copper	111	112
Bethlehem Steel	116	116
Baltimore and Ohio	133	133
Chrysler Corp. (Common)	71	72
General Motor (Common)	71	72
General Ry. Signal	121	120
Goodyear Tyre and Rubber	122	121
Granby Consolidated Copper	unq.	70
International Cement (Common)	65	60
Liggett and Myers (Common)	90	80
Missouri Pacific (Common)	98	98
Nevada Consolidated Copper	43	45
Radio Corporation of America (Common)	77	unq.
Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey	58	59
Standard Oil Co. of New York	30	30
Southern Pacific	140	146
Texas Corporation	62	63
United States Steel	202	199
Vacuum Oil	120	121
Willis Overland	26	25

### A BASEBALL MATCH.

#### MEIJI UNIVERSITY TO PLAY A HONGKONG TEAM.

A team of baseballers from the Meiji University are arriving in Hongkong on Sunday morning on the Hakozan Maru and arrangements have been made for them to play a game with a Hongkong side.

The Meiji University players left Japan on March 15 and have played in Honolulu, the United States and England. They are in charge of Prof. Otsuki, head of the baseball department of the University and Mr. Okada, the coach, who is acknowledged as one of the best baseball mentors in Japan.

The match will be played at Caroline Hill on Sunday afternoon. The Hongkong team will be: Zafra (P), P. Fukaguchi (P), Matt Cheung (C), T. Leonard (1 B), Fung King-cheung (2 B), Kwok (3 B), Y. Hachiuma (S.S.), T. Ching (L.F.), Gosano (C.F.), Burrill (R.F.), Reserves, Harris, T. Cheung, Pau Ka-ping and Ip Pak-wa.

thousand injured. A huge number of buildings was destroyed. So far as is known Mr. Kirke was the only British casualty. There were no casualties among the French colony. No news is to hand concerning the Americans.—Reuter.

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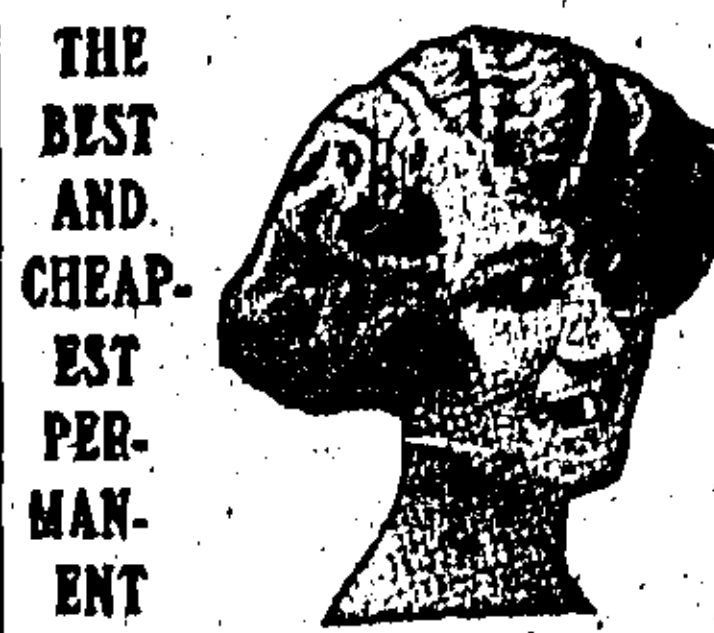
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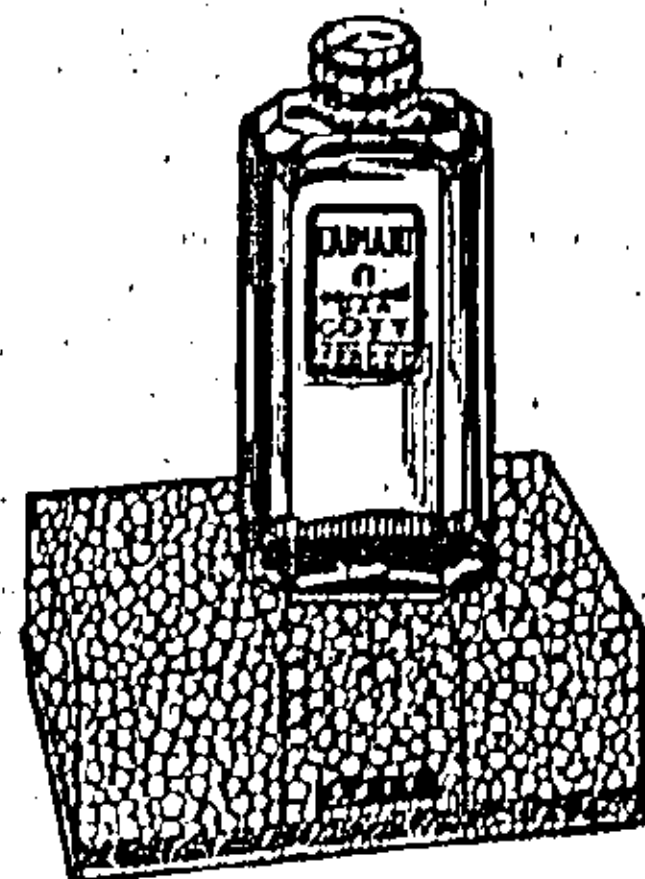
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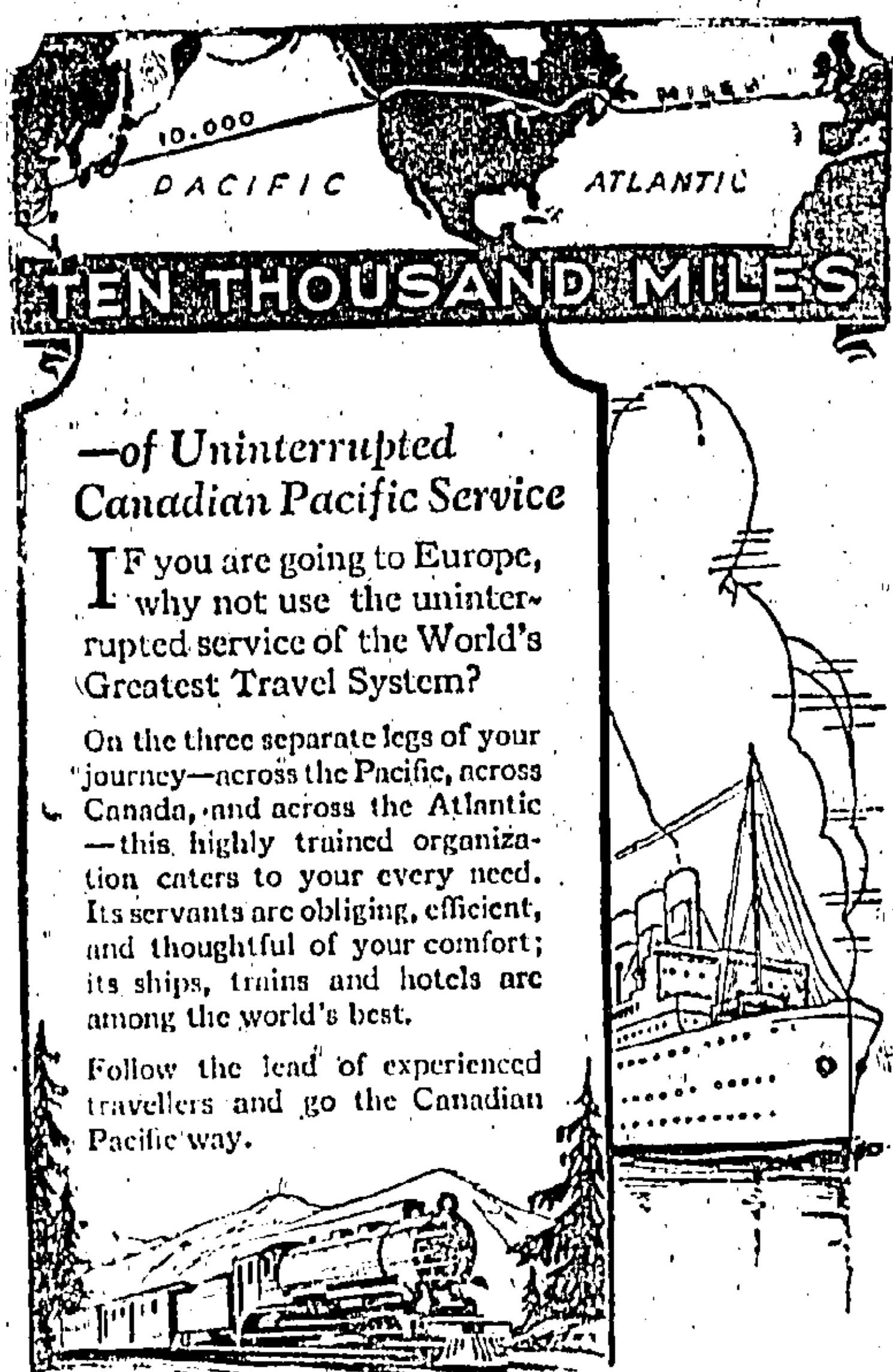
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## THE COLONY'S CLAY.

### REPORT ON SAMPLES SENT BY H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

A Government report just issued gives details of an examination of local clay and kaolin samples sent to the Imperial Institute by His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong. It was required that the materials, which had been forwarded at the request of Dr. R. W. Brock, Dean of the Faculty of Applied Science, University of British Columbia, should be tested as to their suitability for higher-grade clay products and wares.

The results of the examinations are fully set forth in the paper, from which we take the following:

#### White Clay.

The sample consisted of 31 lb. of a fairly soft whitish clay, in the form of small lumps. It was of rather poor plasticity when mixed with water.

#### Pottery Trials.

Unwashed clay.—For use in these trials a quantity of the clay was ground to pass a sieve containing 120 meshes per linear inch. It was noticed that the material was easy to grind and that no clogging of the mill took place. An attempt to mould thin-walled vessels from the ground clay proved unsuccessful, the clay being only slightly plastic and having practically no binding power. The formation of pieces of a less fragile nature by pressing the moist clay in plaster moulds was somewhat easier, but the unfired ware was extremely weak and very difficult to handle. It was thought that finer grinding might possibly improve the working properties of the clay, and a further quantity of the sample was therefore ground to pass a sieve having 180 meshes per linear inch. Trials with this finer material showed that, although a certain amount of improvement was effected by this treatment, the clay was still deficient in plasticity and would not be adapted for moulding by the usual methods.

Washed clay.—A quantity of the raw clay was roughly crushed to about 1/4" mesh, and then blunged in a laboratory washing mill with about five times its weight of water. On account of the comparatively fine nature of the impurities contained in the raw clay, it was found necessary, in order to ensure that the impurities were thoroughly freed from clay, to reduce the rate of flow of the clay and water entering the blunger below that which could be successfully employed when washing a crude kaolin. After leaving the blunger the slip was allowed to settle and the separation of clay from the impurities was thereby effected. It was found that this separation was somewhat difficult on account of the fine state of division of the non-clayey particles.

The results obtained from this test showed that the crude material yielded 56.6 per cent. of clay, and 43.4 per cent. of residue.

The washed clay was of a fairly good texture and colour, though not dead white. It worked well in all the tests to which it was submitted. The residue consisted mainly of kaolinized felspar and a little quartz.

There is little difference in chemical composition between the washed and unwashed materials, but there was a considerable difference in their physical characteristics, the washed material being very much more plastic.

Vessels made from the neat washed clay, after being fired to a temperature of 1060° C. for 6 hours, were strong and of a fairly good colour and free from "iron spots."

Some of the test pieces, however, had cracked badly, and in all cases there was a strong tendency to warp.

#### Earthenware Mixtures.

A number of test pieces were made from each of the earthenware mixtures tabulated below. The unwashed clay used in these experiments was ground before use to pass a sieve having 120 meshes per linear inch.

The percentage of bases would probably be somewhat higher than indicated in the above table, as the amounts of soda and potash in the washed and unwashed clay were not determined.

The mixtures made with the washed clay worked well on the wheel and gave good results when pressed in plaster moulds.

Those made from the unwashed clay were somewhat less plastic and more care in moulding was necessary than when the washed clay was employed. It was found that the addition of the ball clay gave a great improvement to the working properties of the mixtures.

The fired ware was strong and hard, with one exception. Increasing the firing temperature of test pieces made from that mixture gave no improvement in strength, but on the contrary a tendency of the ware to crack was observed.

#### Stoneware.

Impermeable pottery, similar to stoneware, was produced from two mixtures by increasing the firing temperature to 1250° C. The total shrinkage of 11.2 per cent. and 11.8 per cent. respectively were not excessive for a semi-vitreous body of this nature. The ware was strong and a feldspathic glaze maturing at a high temperature could be satisfactorily applied.

#### China Mixtures.

Bone-china mixtures were made, the unwashed clay used in the experiments being ground to 120 mesh as in the case of the material used for the earthenware trials.

#### Red Clay.

This sample consisted of 50 lb. of a moderately hard, reddish-brown mottled clay, only slightly plastic when mixed with water.

A preliminary weight test of the red clay showed that it contained about 25 per cent. of clay and 75 per cent. of residue, the latter apparently consisting of indurated clay, generally of a pink colour. In view of the small amount of plastic clay contained in this sample, and of the comparatively low price of terra cotta ware, it was not considered that it would be economical to practice to refine the red clay by washing. No tests were therefore carried out with the washed material obtainable from this clay. The colour of the clay, moreover, renders it unsuitable for use in good quality earthenware or china mixtures, and for that reason also no tests were carried out in this direction.

#### Pottery Trials.

The clay used in the tests was ground to pass a sieve containing 60 meshes per linear inch, but attempts to mould this material by means of the jigger and jolley machine were unsuccessful, the clay being practically devoid of plasticity and possessing very little binding power. In order to determine whether finer grinding would improve the properties of the clay a further quantity of the material was ground to pass a 100-mesh sieve.

It was found, however, that although a considerable improvement in the working properties of the clay had been effected it was still lacking in plasticity and difficult to

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work, but with care it was possible to produce fairly good pressed pieces.

Further trials were then made with a mixture of 90 per cent. ball clay and 10 per cent. red clay, both clays being previously ground to pass a 100-mesh sieve. The addition of ball clay effected a great improvement, and this mixture worked well on the wheel, it being possible to mould small thin-walled vessels with ease.

#### Summary and Conclusion.

##### (a) White Clay.

Good earthenware can be made from the washed clay, with or without the addition of ball clay, but this latter material, renders the earthenware mixture rather more easy to work. It appears unlikely that the use of the unwashed clay for earthenware mixtures would be commercially possible owing to its tendency to crack and to the presence of surface defects caused by ferruginous particles.

Bone china may also be made from this material, the most successful mixture employed being one that included both the washed clay and ball clay, a strong biscuit of good colour being produced.

##### (b) Red Clay.

This clay, owing to its colour, is not adapted for many of the purposes to which a white clay can be applied.

The results of the experiments carried out indicate that good second-grade pottery of a light terra cotta colour can be produced from mixtures of the finely-ground clay with ball clay, and that by increasing the firing temperature, dark brown impermeable ware can be made.

If it were found necessary, the composition of the body could be varied by the addition of materials, such as flint, Cornish stone, or felspar, but as a satisfactory earthenware was made by the addition of ball clay alone, it was not considered necessary, at this stage, to carry out more extensive experiments.

##### (a) and (b).

The white and red clays, generally speaking, cannot be regarded as high-quality raw materials. The white clay yields on washing a material resembling kaolin, from which sound earthenware can be made, and lower-grade ware can be produced from the red clay, but the difficulties of working were such that economic manufacture on a commercial scale might be impracticable, and it would be necessary for preliminary large-scale tests to be carried out.

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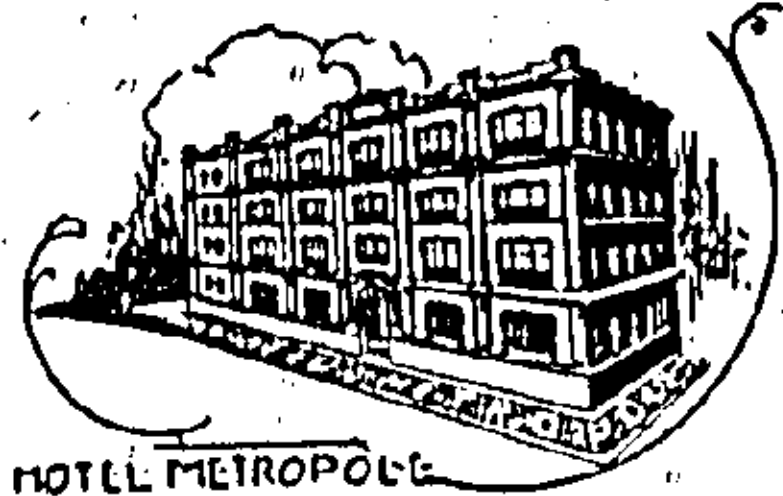




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## THE GOVERNMENT INTERVENES.

ATTEMPT TO AVERT CRISIS  
IN LANCASHIRE.

### JOINT CONFERENCE.

London, July 17.  
The Government is making an effort to avert the threatened crisis in the Lancashire cotton industry, following the employers' decision to effect over twelve per cent. reductions in wages.  
With the object of arranging a joint conference, Sir Horace Wilson, the Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, has consulted the representatives of the Lancashire Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers' Association, and has invited the leaders of the operatives to come to London immediately.

The proposed reductions are supposed to come into force on July 26th, and over half a million workers will be involved. The operatives are strenuously resisting the cut, which amounts to 2/6 in the shilling, a recent ballot among the Unions revealing a margin of 97 1/2 per cent. in favour of resistance of the employers' demands.—*Reuter.*

Later.  
The Ministry of Labour announces that the representatives of the cotton employers and operatives' associations have accepted Sir Horace Wilson's suggestion that they should resume their joint discussions. They will meet again at Manchester on Friday.—*Reuter.*

### DIPLOMATIC CHANGE.

SIR HOWARD KENNARD FOR  
STOCKHOLM.

London, July 17.  
H.M. the King has approved the appointment of Sir Howard Kennard, British Minister at Belgrade, to be British Minister at Stockholm.—*British Wire.*

[Sir Howard Kennard has been Minister to Yugoslavia since 1925. He entered the diplomatic service in 1901, and has served in Rome, Teheran, Washington, Havana and Tangier. He is 61 years of age.]

## OCEAN GREYHOUNDS FOR AMERICA.

TWO NEW 56,000-TON SHIPS  
CONTEMPLATED.

New York, July 17.  
The United States Lines announce that two new 56,000-ton liners, each costing \$325,000,000, approximately \$5,000,000 are to be laid down in 1930 and will be put on the Atlantic service on completion.—*Reuter's American Service.*  
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### THE KING.

PROGRESS CONTINUES  
SATISFACTORY.

London, July 17.  
It was officially stated at Buckingham Palace this evening that His Majesty's progress continues satisfactory.  
It is learned that the wound is now clean, and it is unnecessary to insert a drainage tube.—*Reuter.*

### U.S. DEPORTATIONS.

OVER TWELVE THOUSAND  
LAST YEAR.

Washington, July 17.  
The Immigration Commissioner announces that twelve thousand persons were deported from the United States during the past fiscal year.—*Reuter.*

### EMPIRE PROGRESS.

COLONIAL DEVELOPMENT  
BILL READ AGAIN.

London, July 17.  
The House of Commons today passed the second reading of Mr. J. H. Thomas's Colonial Development Bill.—*Reuter.*

### FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest in the vicinity of the Bonins, and a depression lies to the north-east of Hokkaido. The typhoon is situated about 50 miles south of Ishigaki-jima, moving N.W. or N. The forecast till noon tomorrow is:—Westerly winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

## OPIUM SEIZURE SENSATION.

BIG HAUL ON JARDINE  
STEAMER.

BOATSWAIN & FIVE CUSTOMS  
OFFICERS ARRESTED.

### BRIBERY ALLEGATION.

Shanghai, July 11.  
Following a large seizure of opium on board the I.C.N.S. Kungwo at Kiukiang and allegations of bribery, one member of the vessel's crew and five officers of the Customs were arrested by the Chinese authorities there and, according to the latest information, are being detained pending an inquiry by the local Commissioner of Foreign Affairs.

Representations by the Commissioner of Customs and H.M. Consul at Kiukiang for the release of the arrested men have so far proved unavailing, and the Shanghai office of the Indo-China S.N. Co. have telegraphed their agent in Kiukiang to see that their employee receives full justice.

### Considerable Mystery.

Considerable mystery surrounds the actual seizure. According to a Kuo Wen message, Customs officers boarded the Kungwo when she arrived in Kiukiang from Hankow on July 5. Searching the ship they came across 14 bags of the drug, weighing between 8,000 and 9,000 taels.

The "number one" of the crew, identified as the boatswain, is then reported to have offered a bribe of \$1,000 to the search party. This was refused, the searchers, according to the message, demanding \$3,000.

Finally a compromise was come to between the boatswain and the searchers, but before this, news of the discovery had reached the military and the whole party were arrested.

### Found in the Fore-peak.

According to the captain of the Kungwo, the opium was found in the fore-peak and had been brought aboard by passengers, who are described as "nothing more than opium smugglers." The part of the ship in which the discovery was made was under the control of the boatswain, who is reported to have said that he was forced to let the smugglers ship the drug, as he was threatened with death if he refused.

The search party came across the drug shortly after 4 p.m. and on their attempting to take it away, were threatened by the passengers. This caused them to appeal to the Chief Officer, and the company's agent was sent for. The gentleman got in touch with the harbour master who ordered the searchers to leave the drug alone, but by this time the police had communicated with the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs.

### "Reward" Offered?

What went on between the boatswain and the searchers is obscure. The former is said to have offered the latter a "reward" of \$2,000 for discovering the drug. They, however, held out for \$3,000. The boatswain then reported the discovery to the police and the Customs officers were arrested as they were leaving the bulk.

An hour later police came back to the ship and demanded that the boatswain should go with them to the police station to give evidence. This the captain authorized, and half an hour later the boatswain returned with several policemen, pointed out to them where the opium had been found, and assisted the Customs, who were afraid to act without police protection, in getting the drug off the ship.

The boatswain, himself, was arrested as he stepped on the gangway as the party were leaving, and despite the protests of the Chief Officer, was put into prison.

### Who is Getting It?

The British Consul was then communicated with, and accompanied by the agent, called on the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs to obtain the man's release. After two hours fruitless conversation they returned to the ship without the boatswain, but with permission for the ship, which had been held up pending a settlement, to proceed on its way, provided the captain should sign a form stating the number of bags taken. The ship cleared about 7.45 p.m.

The arrested men are Yu Pan-chin, the ship's boatswain, four Chinese and one Russian customs official. In the opinion of the company the boatswain is being detained as a scapegoat.

Inquiries made by the North-China Daily News yesterday at the company's office here and at other shipping companies, resulted in the information that opium smuggling

## WATER SHORTAGE IN ENGLAND.

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### LONDON WELL SERVED

London, July 17.  
Although a general appeal for economy in the use of water, in view of the prolonged drought, has been made by the Ministry of Health, immediate anxiety regarding supplies is felt only in certain areas, notably in parts of Lancashire and Yorkshire.  
In London, which is served by the Thames and Lee Rivers and by springs, there is no anxiety.  
The flow of the Thames is well maintained, considering the drought, and a good flow is maintained in the Lee.—*British Wire.*

### SINO-SOVIET BREAK.

(Continued from Page 1.)

80,000 are guarding the Chinese Eastern Railway.—*Reuter.*

### Ready For War?

Vladivostok, July 27.  
According to a reliable Chinese source it is understood that the Soviet authorities have massed an army of 80,000 on the Sino-Russian frontiers.

General Chang Hsueh-liang, head of the Manchurian Government, has instructed Generals Chang Tso-hsiang and Wan Fu-lin, rulers of Kirin and Heilungkiang to resist any Russian attempts to send troops over the Chinese frontiers, even if they have to resort to arms. According to a Chinese report no fewer than 40,000 Russian troops are concentrated at Minkhail. 60,000 Heilungkiang troops, 80,000 Kirin troops and 150,000 Fengtien troops under the joint command of Chang Hsueh-liang are massing at strategic points on the Chinese Eastern Railway.

### HARBIN ATTITUDE.

Russian Officers Seized at  
Mukden.

Harbin, July 18.  
The few Soviet officials remaining in Harbin state that in their opinion the reply of the Nanking Government to the Soviet Ultimatum opens the way to negotiations, though it fails to satisfy the Russian demand for the cancellation of the seizure of the Railway and the dismissal of the Russian officials.

This omission may yet compel the Soviet to resort to other measures to safeguard its rights.

Despite the fact that Nanking has replied to the Soviet Note, Chinese military preparations have not been slackened in the least degree. Crowded troop trains left to-day in the directions of Pogradichayna (on the border, just north of Nikolok and Vladivostok) and Manchuli (close to the north-west border of Manchuria).

### Siberian Railway Stopped.

C.E.R. headquarters have been informed that the International Train from Harbin failed to make its usual connexion with the Russian train at Manchuli, hence the International Route is suspended.

From Mukden, it is learned authoritatively that General Chang Hsueh-liang's arsenal is feverishly producing munitions of war.

The Chinese authorities have seized the Mukden office of the Chinese Eastern Railway Trade Bureau and have dismissed the Russian manager.

The Tokyo Railway authorities have ordered the Tourist Bureau to suspend the sale of tickets for the trans-Siberian Railway.—*Reuter.*

### Russians Leaving.

Harbin, July 17.  
Further excitement was caused this morning when the news spread like wildfire that the Soviet Government had ordered the withdrawal of all Russian residents. All the Consulate authorities left before eight o'clock in the morning to the great surprise of the Chinese Government.

It is understood that the Chinese troops stationed along the Chinese Eastern Railway had arrested no fewer than 320 Communist suspects, of Russian nationality, showing no discrimination in their arrests.

It is becoming an increasing problem on the Yangtze. It appears impossible to stop it, and one source freely hinted that there was a certain amount of official connivance by military in more than one port.

The attempts at smuggling have become so daring, we were informed, that smugglers have actually been known to enter foreign engineers' cabins and try to conceal their contraband there, where, if it were discovered, the foreign officers would be held responsible. This has, fortunately, been a failure in most cases so far, the drug having been found by the foreign officers.

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